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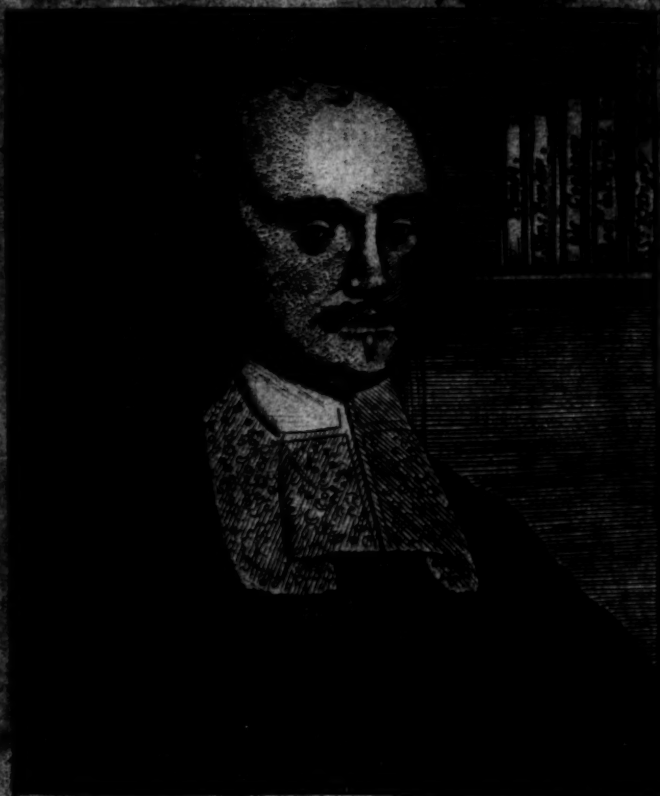
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To the Right Honourable

**G E O R G E**

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**B U C K I N G H A M,**

Knight of the most Noble Order  
of the Garter, and one of  
His Majesties most Honourable  
Privy Council.

My LORD,



*Had formerly the Happi-  
ness of wearing an humble  
Relation to Sir Kenelm  
Digby, and to his Business; by  
means of which Interest, and Fa-*

## The Epistle

your, there came to my hand, diverse of his Excellent Curiosities and Receipts: In trath, it is so choyce a Collection, that in the first place, I made it a matter of Conscience to recommend it to the Publique: And (having permission from his ingenious Son Mr. John Digby thereunto) my next care was, so to do it, as to render all possible Honour and Right to the Memory of that Eminent Person. Upon which consideration, I have taken the boldness, to make a Dedication of it to your Lordship, as the most competent Judge, and Patron of Learning and Vertue. From which presumption, I shall now descend to my self again,  
and

## Dedicatory.

and vanish with this Protestation,  
that without pretending to the  
Honour of being any way known  
to your Lordship; No man living  
bath a greater Reverence for your  
Person and Faculties, then

My LORD,

Your Graces most humble and

Obedient Servant

George Hartman.

1847

My dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the estate of the late John Smith, deceased. I am sorry to hear of your loss, and I am sure that you will find the enclosed papers of some service to you.

Very respectfully,  
J. D. Smith

Enclosed are the papers of the late John Smith, deceased.

Yours very truly,  
J. D. Smith

George H. Smith

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*An approved Remedy for all sorts of Inter-  
mittent Agues.*

**T**AKE *Species Hieræ picræ gran.* 30.  
Put this into five Spoonfuls of  
good ordinary Aniseed-water, in a lit-  
tle Fiol, which stop well, and set it  
at such a distance off a fire, that it may  
feel a little gentle warmth, for two or  
three hours, shaking the Fiol often;  
and thus they will be well united to-  
gether. As soon as the Patient feels  
any emotion of the approaching fit  
(which will be about an hour before  
it cometh strongly) pour into a Glass  
all that is in the Fiol, and stir them  
well together, and so let the Patient  
take it; and he may wash it down  
with a Spoonful or two more of the  
Aniseed-water, and let him walk and  
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ftir after it, and do what moderate exercife he can. It will give him fome stools; and in twice or thrice taking this Medicine, it will drive away any intermitten Ague; sometime one is fain to give it five or fix times for Quartains or Quotidians. And after an Ague is cured, it is good to give the Medicine yet twice or thrice more, to cleanse all impurities.

This is also an excellent Medicine for all Obstructions; It will cure the Green-sickness in a few times taking; but for this you must double the dose.

*Another for the same.*

Take four spoonfuls of the juyce of Red-nettles, and eight of the best strong Ale you can get, mingle them well together, and give it warm to the Patient; as soon as he feeleth the first emotion that always preceedeth  
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his fit, which useth to come an hour before the formal fit seisseth him. And let him lie warm in bed, with Bottles of hot water at his feet and under the arm-pits to cause sweat; which he will do abundantly. And this is a certain cure of an Ague.

You need not give so much of the Juyce to a child, as to a very big man, Proportion it according their bulk. This here set down is for middling persons.

The Juyce is best in the Spring;  
but is good all the year long.

*A certain and approved Cure of Terti-  
an Agues.*

Take a good handful of the leaves of Ribwort, (in the Summer green, in the Winter dry) boyl them in a large draught of clear Posset-drink; so that it be strong of the Herb. Give  
B 2 this

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this to the Patient to drink warm, as soon as he findeth such alteration in his body as warneth him of the approaching fit. And then let him lie conveniently warm to sweat. If this cure him not the first time, it will infallibly the second.

*For the Tedious Agues.*

Take a good pint of the best White-wine, put into it half a handful of Camomile-flowers; set these upon the hot embers in a vessel close covered: let them stew simpringly at the edge for an hour or thereabouts, till the Wine have drawn out all the vertue of the Flowers; then pour off the liquor, and put in to it 30 grains of the fixed Salt of Tartar, drink it warm as soon as you find any emotion of the approaching fit; and lie warm, and it will make you sweat. Do so the next fit, adding five grains more  
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of the Salt of Tartar, so that you take 35 grains; at the third fit take 40 grains, and so rest there till you are well, not exceeding that quantity though you repete the Medicine.

*A most excellent Sudorifick Cordial, which cureth all sorts of Agues and all burnings or Purple Fevers, as also all sorts of fluxes and Piles. It is also excellent for the hot Gout.*

Take Salt of Tartar 1 ounce, put it into a pint of French *Aquavite*, let it stand in gentle warmth a day, then filter it through a gray Paper,

Take then good *Opium* well chosen, cut it into thin slices, and dry it very gently till it be a little friable; then cut it very small, and put it into a glass bottle, and pour upon it a quart of *Aquavite*; stop the bottle well, and tye it with a bladder, and set it in the Sun in Summer, in

the Winter in some gentle warmth, to digest 24 hours, or till the tincture be of a reddish brown, and the *Opium* be dissolved; then strain it through a gray paper, and put to it the dissolution of the Salt of Tartar, and infuse half an ounce of Saffron in it, then let it stand in a gentle heat 6 hours or more, then strain it through double paper so often till there remain no feces in the straining of it, then will the *Opium* be purified from all its venom, and is of great vertue in the foresaid diseases; then let the patient take the following Purge.

Take the Powder of the root Jal-lap 20 or 24 grains, *Cremor Tartari* 10 or 12 grains, mixt with syrop of Roses for a dose in the morning. But when there is any looseness or bloody-flux you need not purge, but take the foresaid prepared tincture, or Cordial; the dose of it is a spoonful and half, to two spoonfuls for strong Persons

Persons, and for little Children 3 or 4 drops mixt with the milk of the Nurse; then let the Patient sweat in his Bed. This medicine will make sweat sometimes a day and night, or only some hours. The manner of using this remedy is thus: Purge (for example) Munday morning, Tuesday night take the Sudorifick Tincture, drink nothing all night, unless the heat of your mouth perswade you to take a spoonful of Wine. In the morning when your sweat is over, take a Tost of wine with Sugar, and lye yet, to see if you shall sweat again; which being quite past, eat and drink moderately of good things. Thursday morning take the purge again. Friday night take the Tincture again, or if you will (and that the day of the fit falls out proper for that) take a dose of Antimony Diaphoretick, upon Thursday instead of the purge; and Friday night take the Tincture again. In fine, govern

your self for purging, or taking either of the diaphoreticks as you shall finde best; and continue the diaphoretick of Antimony as long as you think fit, after you have done with the other diaforetick and with purging.

This excellent medicine hath done great miracles upon persons that have had the Ague three years; it restoreth the spirits, and strength lost, and comforteth the heart. It cureth likewise the Collick, the Tooth-ack, the Catharres, the violent Cough, the Gripping in the Belly, and stayeth Vomiting. The use of it for the Tooth-ach is, to take half a spoonful, and hold it on the side where your Tooth aketh in your mouth, the space of a quarter of an hour, then spit it out, and take some fresh; if it needeth for the Gout, dip a feather in it, and foment the dolent part with it.

When they rave and are frantick in their Fever, you may put 8 or 10 grains

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grains of Salt of Pearls into every dose of this medicine.

*A diaphoretick of Antimony to be used with this medicine.*

Take 1 part of regulus of Antimony and 6 of Nitre. Burn them well in a Crucible, reverberate them an hour after they are melted. Then have an earthen Pitcher full of Conduit water; upon the mouth of it set a Crucible with a hole in the bottom: pour through this into the cold water your melted Antimony, and Salt peter. It will make a strange noise, as if all would break in pieces; but it will not do so. Most of the Salt will be dissolved in the water, and the Antimony will settle to the bottom in white Powder: pour off the water when all is thoroughly settled, and dulcifie yet more with often ablutions in fresh waters the remaining pow-

powder, till all saltneſs be gone : then dry it in due manner , and keep it for uſe.

*A Julep to cool in Fevers.*

Nothing doth more hinder the fermentation of ſharp humors and their flying up to the head, then the uſe of dilute *oxymel*, ſuch as *Hippocrates* and the ancients uſed. Make it thus.

Take 2 parts of Honey and 12 of water ; boyl them very gently together, till you have ſcummed away all the ſcum that will riſe, and have clarified it with whites of Eggs. Then take it from the fier, and put to it one part of Vinegar , and let it run twice or thrice through *manicam Hippocratis*. Drink 3 or 4 ſpoonfulls at a time of it, morning, evening, night, or when you will.

*Cochinile*



*Cochinile for a Purple Fever.*

To persons above 20 years of age , give 30 or 40 grains of Cochinile in some fit Cordial water, or in Wine if you have no Cordial water at hand. If they be yonger , proportion it to their age ; as, 7 grains to a childe of 3 years old ; 18 grains to one of 6 years. After twice or thrice doing this , and keeping the patient very warm, the disease will break out in spots, and they will escape. But fail not to give it once or twice after they are stricken out.

*A certain and approved Remedy for a Burning Fever.*

Take of *Caprifolium* leaves a good quantity, stamp them in a mortar ; put as much fair water to it as will make a Clister, then strain it, and  
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put it into the bladder or syringe, and give it the Patient quite cold.

This Clister taketh away the burning Fever; it opens the body and cooleth the Veins,

*A Cooling drink in a Fever.*

Take a Gallon of spring water, 5 spoonfuls of French Barly, half a Pound of the best blew Currants, let it boyl softly till a quart be consumed; then take 2 handfuls of Wood Sorrel, as much of Roman Sorrel; bruise them well, and let them infuse 1 hour, then take it off, and strain it through a Sieve; drink of this with the juice of an Orange, and a little fine Sugar.

*A certain and often approved remedy for an Ague.*

*Drams*

Take 3 ~~ounces~~ of Venice or London Treacle: put it into a quarter of a Pint of  
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of White Wine, and put it into a little Pot very close covered; let it stew simpringly for half an hour, stirring it sometimes. When the Patient feelth any emotion of the approaching fit, let him take this, shaking it well together: let him go to bed and cover himself warm to sweat; if this cure him not the second time, it will not fail the third.

*A certain and present remedy for all kind of Collicks whatsoever*

Take Mint, Sage (both of them dry) ana. 2 handfuls, and of the best spirit of Wine 4 pound, digest it in a Cucurbite 8 days. Then distil it in *Balneo Mariae*, taking but a 3d. part of it; the rest is good, but in a weaker degree. Of this first spirit take a dram and half; and 2 ounces of White Wine; mingle and drink them.

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*For violent Coughing by a sharpe thin  
tickling Rheume.*

Take old Conserve of Roses, and work in to it by strong rinding and beating as much as you can of pure fine *Olibanum* in most subtile powder, that the Consistence be very stiffe. Of this take as much as a good Hasle Nut in a spoon with a little syrop of Violets about it, in the morning and at night, and the like sometimes in the day, if you have need. In a fortnight or 3 weeks, it will cure any old Cough, and will presently ease one in a fit of Coughing.

*For a cold in the head, to draw rheume  
from the head.*

Pare very thin the yellow Rind of Orange, roul it up conveniently, to thrust up into the Nostril, turning the inwardmost side outward, to be  
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next your flesh within the Nose ; put  
a roul into each Nostril. It will  
cause sneezing, and will make much  
water run down out at the Nose ;  
and comforteth the brain.

*For all sorts of Fluxes.*

Take 2 quarts of new Milk, 2 sound  
Nutmegs sliced thin, 18 blackest Pep-  
per corns, 18 largest Cloves, 5 penny-  
worth of stick Cinnamon, of the out-  
ward bark of an old Oak (the rough  
part a little scraped off) twice as much  
as of the Cinnamon, both which must  
be sliced thin : boyl this to between  
2 and 3 pints, then pour the milk from  
the Spice, and divide it into 4 parts,  
which will be about a Porringer full a  
peice. Give a draught of this as hot  
as the Patient can drink it, early in the  
morning fasting, another at 10 a Clock,  
a third at 4 in the afternoon, and the  
last going to bed, and make fresh  
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every day. The Patient may dine and sup as he hath a mind. The first draught will take away the pain and griping, and then afterwards it is not necessary take it so very hot.

It will perfectly cure any violent Flux, bloody or other in 5 or 6 dayes: It doth not bind it sodainly, but smootheneth and healeth the Guts, and strengtheneth the stomack, and he shall have at the first 2, 3, or 4 gentle stools a day. And if he have lost his appetite, so that he can eat nothing, as usually happeneth in great fluxes, this Milke giveth him sufficient nourishment.

*For a Bloody Flux often approved.*

Take 4 drams of *Deaphænicon*, and half a scruple of *pulvis sanctus* fasting, in white Wine made warm, that the *Diaphænicon* may be dissolved; and keep the Patient from sleeping, until it

it have wrought, and an hour after they have taken it, give them some Broth; if it be given alone without *Pulvis Sanctus*, it riddeth the Belly and Guts from all raw and crude humors, and easeth the Belly from gripings and pain proceeding of Wind and cold causes; it is also good if you leave out the *Pulvis Sanctus* for a burning Fever: This Potion is best to be taken when the sign is in *Scorpio*: If after the taking of this Potion for a Fever you find the blood hot, take fair Water and set it on the fire, and give it one walm, and when it is cool, drink it blood warm when you take it, and you may drink of it as often as you please. For the *Dysentery* or *Bloody-flux* you must take the *Diaphanicon* with the *Pulvis Sanctus*; there is done admirable cures in these disease with this medicine: In other occasions you may leave out the *Pulvis Sanctus* for the *Bloody-flux*, the Author regarded not the *Constellation*, but

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gave it presently, (that is, immediately, if it were morning, and the Patient fasting: Else he stayed till next morning) and it never failed him.

*For any Loosness.*

Take one dram of the Seeds of *Plantin*, bruise them, and take them in a draught of Broth (which is best, if a little tops of *Plantin* be boyled with it) in the morning fasting: Continue this three mornings together: it never faileth.

*For Fluxes.*

Take the herb *Chelidonia Major* when it is in the flower, (it must be gathered in dry and fair weather) the whole herb, or plant, i. e. the root, stalk, leaves and flowers; make it clean without washing it; let it lye a day in a dry Chamber in the open



open Air : but so that the Sun come not to it; then chop it small, or bruise it, (without deperdition of any juyce) and put it into a Cucurbite of Glass, and put upon it some good *Aqua-vita* (such as comes from *France*) as much as will *Supranatare* a fingers breadth or two, and cover it close with a Blind-head, and let it digest three or four days (best, neer a little warmth) then change the head, putting on one with a Limbeck, and distil with gentle heat of Sand, till you have drawn off so much of the humidity as may not endanger *Empyreuma*. This liquor will have some little strength in it, but not by a great deal so much as the *Aqua-vita* : The Dose is a little Wine-glass full at a time. I have found it admirable for the Brain, the Eyesight, the Heart, the Stomach, and all languishing Diseases and decays of Nature, and causeth a little gentle breathing, scarce amounting to sweat : When you take it in a morning, it

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gives you a wonderful severity of brain and cheerfulness of humor in languishing Diseases; if bad humors abound, it must be given with Purges of *Gamboga*, one morning the one, the next the other; thus, three times each.

It must be given 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 grains of *Gutta Gamba*, or *Gamboga* for a Dose, either in Powder, in Wine, or other fit vehicle; or make it up into a Pill with a drop of Syrup of Roses: This quantity will purge gently watry humors, and give a gentle Vomit if the Stomack be foul.

*For a Loosness.*

Take a pint of Claret Wine, and put into it two peny-worth of bruised Cinnamon, and as many Cloves; boyl this gently upon *Embres* (covering the Pot) till half be boyled away: In the mean time tost a Tost or two of light Bread, and cover them  
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sufficiently with Sugar, then pour (through a Lixor) the VVine upon them: Eat those sopped Tosts for all the Dinner, and the like for the Supper, eating no other sustenance that day; and it useth to cure in a day.

*An Anodyne Clyster.*

Take 6 ounces of thick Barley Cream (*Cremor hordei*) and the whites of three new-laid Eggs beaten into an Oyl, and about two spoonfuls of lump-kitchin Sugar (not brown Sugar used in Clysters; nor Loaf Sugar; but the best sweetning Sugar, and that is in lumps) and as much Rose-water as may reduce the whole into a fit consistence for a Clyster (which may be three or four good spoonfuls) then warm it sufficiently for a Clyster; and so take it. You may with ease keep it three or four hours, or more. It cooleth and tempereth the Bowels exceedingly, and healeth much any excoriation or fretting in them, and easeth the pain arising thence.

The best rule to discern, if there be Sugar or Rose-water sufficient in the Clyster, is to taste it: for it should be so as to be most pleasant to your taste if you were to eat it.

*An Excellent Clyster to Cure presently  
any painful Flux or Scouring.*

Take a convenient handful of Barley-meal that hath all his Bran in it, as much Bran of Wheat, and as much dried Roses. Put these to boyl gently in three pints of water, in a glazed Pipkin covered, for about three quarters of an hour; then strain hard through a linnen cloath all the liquor with the slimy substance that comes out with it. This is enough for two Clysters, when heedfully done. Take half this Decoction, and put into it the yolks of two new-laid Eggs, and one ounce of *Mel-rosate*. Give it the Patient duly warm. He may keep it a long time (two or three or four hours) without

without trouble, because the quantity is less than of an ordinary Clyster, and that it is of a Balsamick and comforting quality to the excoriated Guts. This is an excellent Remedy to any sharp tormenting *Flux*, where the Guts are enflamed, excoriated, and ulcerated, either through ordinary causes (as eating fruit, or the like) or by taking *Mercury* to *Flux* one by Salivation. You will presently find ease, at the first taking it, but it is well to repeat it two or three a day.

*For the greatest Flux or Loosness.*

Take a right Pomwater the greatest, or two little ones, roast them very tender to pap, take away the skin and the coar, and use only the pap, and the like quantity of chalk finely scraped; mix them together before the fire, and work them well to a Plaster, then spread it upon a linnen cloath warmed very hot as may be suffered,

and so bind it to the Navel 24 hours ;  
use it two or three times till the *Flux*  
stay off.

*An approved Remedy for the Obstructions  
of the Spleen or Liver.*

Take the whites of eight Eggs, and  
beat them very small, two good hand-  
fuls of the leaſs called Vervein ( in  
Latin *Verbena* ) ſtamp it very well :  
mingle theſe two together, and add  
as much Barly-flower to it as will  
make it a Pulſe ; which ſpread upon  
a courſe cloath, and apply it, leaving  
it on twice twenty four hours.

*An excellent Lyme-water for Obſtructi-  
ons and Ulcers, &c.*

Take one pound of Stone-Lyme  
hot from the Kiln, and pour upon it a  
gallon of fair water, let it ſtand eight  
hours, and then pour it off clear, and  
put into it of English Liquoriſh, Ani-  
ſeeds

seeds, and Sassafras, of each four ounces, large Mace two drams: let these infuse in the water twelve hours; Then pour it off from the Ingredients, and keep it for your use.

Drink of this Water twice or thrice a day, half a pint at a time.

It is very excellent for all manner of Obstructions and Ulcers, either inward or outward, and likewise to be used by way of injection.

*An excellent Remedy for the Dropsie.*

Let the Patient swallow every morning three or four whole Cloves of Garlick without taking any other thing with them, but you must first prick them with a needle in four or five several places, out of which will issue a sharp biting water which you must wipe away: And a little while after swallowing the Garlick he must drink a good draught of Wormwood Ale: And then do upon it as much exercise



Exercise as conveniently he can. After dinner eat what you will of wholesome diet, but at night sup not, or but very little, and at going to bed, take the Cloves of Garlick and Wormwood Ale as in the morning; continue this till the Patient be well, which usually is in twenty or thirty days. Take the best Wormwood Ale and strongest of the Wormwood, by putting over-night a sufficient quantity of Wormwood into quick good midling Ale. But during the Cure, you must every morning and night use the following Bath or Fomentation.

Take three gallons of Conduit-water, and boyl in it five or six handfuls of Mallows, and two pound of fresh Mutton-suet, (that which is next the Kidnies) stripped from the skin and chopped small, and half a peck of Wheat-bran; boyl it till the fat be thoroughly melted, and the vertue of the Mallows drawn out into the liquor, then you must strain it to cast away the  
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the dregs, and this both hot, foment the legs, very well for one half hour, or an hour, setting the feet in the Boul where the decoction is : This will draw much water from the legs : For after you have taken the Garlick and Wormwood Ale a while, it will drive the humors into the legs and feet, which will be much swelled with it, and pitt much.

*Another Remedy for the Dropsie.*

Take three or four pound, or thereabouts, of Mountain Sage, ( a bagfull above a foot, or fourteen or fifteen inches high, and eight or nine, or ten over-thwart) bruise it in a Mortar, and put it into a Bag of Boulter-cloth, and put it into a Kilderkin of middling Ale assoon as it is tunned, putting into the Ale the juyce that may have run out of the Herb upon beating it : and assoon as it is fit to drink (which may be in a week, or five or six days) continually drink of it at meals and  
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all times you have occasion, and drink nothing else: Have still a new Vessel coming on under the former, so to have always some ready: A Kilderkin is the fourth part of a Barrel, and may hold about nine gallons: this had never failed.

*Another.*

Gather ordinary Wormwood in *May*, when it is in greatest vigour, and distil it in an ordinary Still that serveth for Rose-water: Put the water that cometh over upon fresh Wormwood as before, and distil it as you did: Put this Water upon another like Pavie of fresh Wormwood, and so distil a third time: you must have a care never to distil to perfect dryness, but still to leave a little behind, which is the very gross part: Drink of this Water in the morning fasting, and in the afternoon about four or five of the clock: The use of this will infallibly cure the Dropsie.

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Take four handfuls of the inner green rinde of Elder, after the outward gray bark is pared off, and one handful of Wormwood: Put them to two gallons of liquor composed thus: Let two parts of it be Beer and Ale, of convenient strength, and one part White-wine: Let the proportion of Beer and Ale to one another be according to the best liking and taste, and the White-wine half as much as both they together: Let the Vegetables lie in this liquor close stopped three or four days, that it may imbibe into it self all the vertue of them: After which time bottle it up into quart Bottles, which stop close; It will soon grow very quick and pleasant: Drink only of this at meals and all times, when you have need to drink: The mingling of the several liquors procureth much freeness of Urining;

rining ; and therefore here is a mingle  
of three different Natures.

*A great and approved Cure of the Drop-*  
*sie.*

First purge well with some fit Purge  
(as of *Fallap, Manna, Sene*) to carry a-  
way watry humors. Then take the  
following Diet of Garlick: Make some  
moderate Broath of Mutton, Chick-  
ins, and Capon or Hen, but not Veal.  
It must not be too strong of the meat,  
nor too weak ; but such as you may  
drink all the day ; for you should  
drink no other liquor : you must make  
but about a pottle of broath at a time ;  
for it will not keep. And for this quan-  
tity you must take a gallon of Water ;  
into which put above a handful of  
Garlick and Rosemary, Penyroyal,  
Thyme, Sweet Marjoram, Fennel  
Roots, Parsely Roots, or any other fit  
Roots or Herbs ; as also Currants and  
a sufficient quantity of Salt. And  
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after some dayes taking the broath,  
 put in to every draught you take of  
 the Broath a Spoonful or more of the  
 Crude juice of Garlick stamped and  
 strained out. But if you can not  
 bear it alwayes to drink this Broath,  
 then use the following decoction.  
 Take *Sarsaparilla* twelve ounces, *China*  
*Roots* five ounces, *Sassafras* three oun-  
 ces. Cut all these very small, and  
 pour upon them Fountain Water, to  
 three fingers breadth above the ingre-  
 dients, and let them infuse over a soft  
 fire the space of four hours, then  
 throw away this water, and stamp  
 the Ingredients well in a Mortar with  
 a Wooden Pestle; Then pour upon  
 them 10 quarts of Fountain water,  
 and boil it in a Vessel close stopped  
 till four quarts of it be consumed.

Of this decoction drink without  
 any other drink but the Garlike  
 Broath.

*An other Drink.*

Take all the foresaid ingredients in the same manner prepared and stamped: then take a cleane Vessel and fill it with Beer, then put all the Ingredients in a Bag, and hang it in the Beer; one ounce of the ingredients is sufficient for a quart of Beer.

Either of these drinks is only in case you cannot bear the use of the Garlick Broath; which alone, will dispatch the Cure much the sooner. After 12 or 14 dayes the Patient will begin to piss in great abundance, and very stinking noysome roaping matter. Continue your diet till you are perfectly Cured.

Then to strengthen and secure your liver, take the following Electuary.

Take *Curcuma S. q. f. Elect. cum Saccharo*, add to every ounce of it three drops of Anniseed Oyl made by Distillation. And if you put a little  
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of *Amber-gris* to it, it will be the better to strengthen.

Take of this *Electuary* two or three times a day, the quantity of a Hazle Nut; but take not above one ounce in a day.

Besides this to strengthen the stomach, use the following Stomacher: Take Wormwood, Marjoram, Rosemary, Rue, *Ana* one handful; Cloves, Cinnamon, Mace, *Ana* one ounce; bruise these Spices, and mix them with the Herbs; of these make a Stomacher, and apply it. And you may likewise anoint your Stomach and Liver Exterior with Oyl of Nutmeg and Oyl of Roses.

This course of the Garlick broath is for all obstructions; and superfluity of cold, raw humors Clogging the Brain or any other part, as well as for the Dropsie: and strengtheneth the whole body wonderfully every way.



*For Legs or other parts of the body  
swelled, comming by abounding of bad  
Tumors, or by the Dropfie.*

Take yellow Amber, the worth of  
three or four pence, mix it with a  
Quart of good Wine Vinegar. Then  
take a Stone or Brick, and make it hot;  
but let it not be red hot, and put it into  
a Tub, then pour upon the Stone  
or Brick the mixture of the Vinegar  
and Amber, and hold the swelled Legg  
over the smoak of it, covering the  
Tub well with Sheets or Blankets, to  
the end that none of the smoak may  
come out. And immediately the  
water will come out of the Legg  
powerfully, and it will be cured. An  
eminent person of quality was excee-  
dingly over-grown with the Dropfie,  
and his belly swell'd to a prodigious  
bigness: he sate in a great Pipe, such  
as men use to sweat in, and used this  
remedy, pouring the Liquor upon hot  
Bricks



Bricks laid upon ashes to save the wood from burning and smoaking (which he changed as their heat was deaded, and could raise no more smoak of the Vinegar and Amber) and in a little while it had melted him away to an unbelievable proportion: but whiles he was in that steam, he felt a wondrous active heat piercing into his body. The Tub was covered close at the top with a Sheet and Blanckets, leaving only his head out in the air, with the clothes fastened about his neck. Once sweating thus, served his turn; all his Servants with fresh hot Napkins, could not suffice to wipe dry the sweaty water that ran out of his body.

*Another for the Dropsie.*

Take a gallon of Whitewine, and put it into a handful of Roman Wormwood, and a good piece of Horse-radish, and a good quantity of

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Broom.

Broom-ashes tyed in a cloth; then take a good bunch of Dwarf-elder, beat it in a Mortar, and strain out the iuyce, and put it into the Wine when you will drink it; but if the Dwarf-elder be dry, you must steep a good quantity in the Wine. Take of this half a pint morning and evening.

*For the Hamorrhoides. For Aches.*  
 Probat.

Take six Figs, and cleave them along through the middle, lay them in a Porringer, and pour upon them some good Brandy-Wine to cover them a fingers breadth or two over; set the Brandy on fire by a flaming Paper, and let it burn as long as it will; the Figs will then be very tender and soft (with that they may be so, you must chuse the best plain ordinary yellow'st Figs, that are sound and pulpy) Apply one of these halves as hot as you can endure to the swelled

swelled Hamorrhoid that comes out, and let it lie on till it grow cool, which will be in less than half a quarter of an hour : Then apply another half Fig as before, and so continue till you have used all the twelve halves ; and to that end, you must keep them hot by a fire. This will give you perfect ease, though the pain were never so great before, and take away all the swelling and knobs upon the veins, and make them retire orderly into the body. For the inner Piles, make an Unguent of Pilewort and Butter thus : Stamp Pilewort (in *May*) with fresh Butter, working into it as much of the herb as you can make it well take in, so that the Butter be highly green ; then melt it over the fire, and let them boyl gently till the Butter have taken in all the juyce and vertue of the Herb, and the superfluous moisture be evaporated. In a word, you are to make the Butter as strong as you can of the Herb, and

that it be of a deep perfect green colour, and no flegmatick moisture remaining with it: ( I conceive it were well to digest it a while in Horsedung, before you melt and strain it : ) Then strain it into Gally-pots through a strong cloth ; when it is cold, it will be firm and hard : This will keep many years. With this anoint the Piles, putting it unto them.

The best Brandy is excellent good for aches and pains by Rheumes or Colds in legs, or knees or shoulders. Rub the part with a hot hand before a good fire with the Spirit of Wine, chafing it in a good while ; then wet a Paper in the Brandy, and lay it on, and bind it to : Repeat this as often as you see occasion.

*Another*

*Another for the Piles.*

*A Person had once the Piles in the greatest extremity that could be, and he was cured by this following Medicine.*

Take Flower of Sulphur one part, fine Sugar three parts; make this into Tablets of one dram a piece with Gum Tragacanth soaked with red Rose-water into a mucilage: Eat of these four or five times a day one at a time: Doing thus, it gave him three or four Stools a day, and in a little while he was perfectly cured of his Piles.

*For the Tooth-ach.*

*When there is great pain of the Tooth-ach, by a defluxion of a sharp Rheume upon all one side of the Jaw, this is a certain Remedy.*

Take some green Parsley, and work it in the palm of your hand, with the other finger and thumb, pressing and squeezing it till you mortifie it all,

and mould it up together, and the  
 juyce be ready to squeeze out: Then  
 take as much of it with its juyce (if  
 any should chance to be pressed out)  
 as may conveniently be thrust into the  
 Ear, and six or seven fair corns of Bay  
 Salee Mingle them well together, and  
 so put it into the Ear on the aking  
 side: It will soon take away the pain:  
 Nevertheless let this medicine remain  
 three or four hours in the Ear (though  
 the Patient be well long before) that  
 so it may continue the Cure: If the  
 pain come again, repeat the Medi-  
 cine.

*water for the Teeth.*

An excellent water for the Teeth, to  
 harden, fasten and whiten them, and  
 to strengthen the Gums, is following:  
 Take of ordinary Aqua (or Lixivi-  
 um) calcis lib. i. crude Alum one dram,  
 burned Alum, Rad. Ireos Ana half a  
 dram, mingle them together, and  
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when the Alum is dissolved, and the tincture drawn out of the *Ireos*; let the liquor run through a linnen, that it may be clear: Then put half a spoonful of Orange-flower water to it to make it more grateful, and wash the Mouth and Teeth with this.

*For the Teeth and Gums.*

*To preserve the Teeth and Gums, wash them often with a Liquor thus made:*

Make a decoction of Lentisce, *Lignum Guaiaci*, and a little Rosemary, into a fitting proportion; of this put some of the best distilled Water of Rosemary and Sage, in which some common Salt is dissolved, as also a good proportion of Spirit of Wine that hath dissolved Myrrhe (or extracted the Tincture of Myrrhe) and is very strong of it, and the like of Spirit of Wine, that hath in like manner extracted the Tincture of Mastick.

Or



Or use Alum dissolved in some of the Waters above-said, or in Claret-wine.

Or put some Oyl of Myrrhe made *per Deliquium* in whites of Eggs, and some Oyl of Sage made by Distillation, *quere* of adding also Oyl of Rosemary into Canary-Sack in which is dissolved some Salt (rather then into Claret-wine.) To fasten the Teeth and preserve the Gums, wash your mouth every morning, and in the day with the Pickle that Limons are kept pickled in, a little warm'd: Those that have the Scurvy in *Holland*, use it much: It is singularly good.

*For familiar washing the Mouth, which confirmeth and fastneth the Teeth much, and preserveth the Gums sound, is thus:*

Put one dram of Alum, and 2 drams of pure Oriental Bole-armoniack, both in subtile Powder, into a pint of Claret-



Claret-wine : shake it well, and use it *quare*, of adding Myrrhe in Powder, or dissolved in hard whites of Egges,

*For the Tooth-ach.*

One that had the Tooth-ach in great extremity, and had tryed many medicines in vain, took a little Cotton and imbibed it with *Lucatella's* Balsom and so put it into the hollow Tooth, within a little while the pain ceased, but came again about a week after : Then he applyed the same remedy a second time, and the pain soon ceased, and never came again though before he was very often subject to this pain.

*Vinegar of Squils for the Teeth and Gums.*

Take Vinegar of Squils, to settle loose Teeth, and cure ulcerated Gums, and the Toothach; all which it doth powerfully

erfully use it thus: Dip well a bit of a soft linen cloth in it, and hold it a pretty while upon the gum that needeth: Repeat the dipping still as the moisture of the mouth, mingling with the Vinegar upon the cloth, takes away the force of it: If the water be cold, you may warm it a little.

*To fasten loose Teeth.* Probat.

You will find a secure and certain remedy, when any of your Teeth are loose with the Scurvy, or by other abounding humors, if you take some Alum (a great proportion) and put it into water (which you may warm to dissolve the more) and rub well every day once or twice the Gums and Teeth with that: Fill the glass almost half full of Alum before you put the Water upon it; When that Water is used out, you may put more upon the remaining Alum.

*A Sympathetick cure of the Tooth-ach.*

With an Iron-nail raise and cut the Gum from about the Teeth, till it bleed, and that some of the blood stick upon the nail; then drive it into a wooden beam up to the head: After this is done, you never shall have the tooth-ach in all your life. (But whether the man used any Spell, or said any Words while he drove the nail, I know not; only I saw done all that is said above: ) this is used by severall certain persons.

*An Excellent Powder for the Eyes*

Take Camphire in fine powder one ounce, put it into a pot and put upon it four ounces of Vitriol, in powder also, cover the pot, with double Paper, and lay upon it a porringer with some weight in it; then calcine it with a gentle fire, and when it is hard, take it

it off, and let it cool; then beat it in to fine Powder with four ounces of Bole-armoniac, then sift it finely. Take of this powder half an ounce, put it into a quart of water, boyl it together, then put it in a glass and keep it for your use.

Dip a little green Sarcenet in it and shut your Eyes, washing only the Eyelids except they be very ill and inflamed, and then you may drop some into them and if you find it too strong of it self, put to a spoonful of it, two spoonfuls of Rose-water, and so use it.

*An Excellent Eye-water.*

Take Whitewine and red Rose-water, *Ana* half a pint, put them in a Glass, then take Aloes *Epic.* *Lapis Tutia*, and fine hard Sugar, *Ana* four ounces; beat them severally into fine powder, and put them into the Glass, and stop it very close; then set it in the Sun in the heat of summer  
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for a month, and shake it three or four times a day that it congele not.

*A certain Remedy for Defluxions and all Diseases of the Eyes.*

Take the Herb called *pie de Pigeon* in French, stamp it into a Cataplasm, and put a little Salt to it, and apply it to the wrist of the contrary hand; as if the right Eye were sore, put it to the left wrist, and change it morning and night. It is wonderfully efficacious. A Gentlewoman had three great white *Excrescencies* in one of her Eyes after the Small-pox; this Remedy cured it perfectly in a months space, but she added washing the Eye at every dressing with a drop of Spirit of Urine.

*To take away the Redness of Bloudshot-Eyes.*

Put a little Hysop in a *Nodus* of

of Sarnet, and dip it in warm water, and therewith foment the Eye three or four times a day.

*To Stanch Bleeding.*

A very desperate and continual Bleeding at the Nose had often been stanch'd by making the Party hold in their hand, or any where about their body, a little of the Herb *Bursa Pastoris*; wear it continually, and it will prevent Bleeding: It will suffice though one wear it but in their Pocket, or to their Hat-band.

*Another for the same.*

To stanch the blood of a Wound, even though an Artery be cut; Strew thick upon it the Powder of certain Balls, that in *French* are called *Vesses de Loup*: And if you have the whole Ball, put over the Powder some of the *Fungus* part of the Ball (which is that  
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next the stalk under the Powder) and bind it on: If it stop not the Bleeding presently, repeat it with more Powder: By his description I judge these *Vesses de Loup* to be our *Fuz-Bals*.

*A Sudden and Infallible Cure of Bleeding, either at the Nose, or by a Bloody-flux.*

Take two parts of the Moss growing on the skull of a dead-man (pulled as small as you can with the fingers) and one part of Mastick (in Powder) mingle them well together; then make them into the consistence of a soft Plaister, with Gum-Dragaganth brought into Mucilage by steeping in Plantain and red Rose-water *Ans*: Of this make a Plaister upon Linnen or Leather, an inch and a half, or two inches long, and not so broad, to lay upon the Veins of the Fore-head at the joyning to the Nose and along the Eyebrows,



brows, for bleeding at Nose : But for a Bloody-flux it must be as large as the palm of a hand, and round, to lay upon the Navil and all round about it : This last must be applyed warmed a little.

*A present certain Cure of any Poyson Inward or Outward, or for the Stinging of Venemous Beasts in Men or Beasts.*

Take the Leafs of black Corants in Powder one dram, give it in Wine, or any thing. It is a present Remedy. You may gather the leafs in Summer, and keep them dry all the year.

*An approved Remedy for Spitting of Blood.*

Take Cumfry-roots freshly gathered six ounces, Plantin leafs twelve handfuls : Beat all well in a Mortar, and



and express the juyce strongly *per prae-*  
*lum*; and with such quantity of Sugar  
 more or less, as you intend to keep  
 it long, or else use it quickly, make  
 Syrup of it.

Take of this often in the day a spoon-  
 ful or two at a time.

If you make the Syrup to be used  
 presently, you need take but equal  
 parts of Syrup and Juyce: But if you  
 would keep it the year about, then  
 you should take two parts of Sugar to  
 one of Juyce.

You need not let the Juyce settle  
 to separate the gross parts from it  
 (which may be the best in this case).

*Remedium ad fluxum immoderatum*  
*Sanguinis Menstrualis.*

Take *Cranii Humani*; scrape of it one  
 dram, put it into a glass of white  
 Wine; let it infuse a night, and in the  
 morning take it fasting. In two or three  
 times taking it every two days, it will  
 cure it.

*Contra Fluorem Album. Probat.*

After due Purging, give the Ceruse of *Antimony* twice or thrice a day, about fifteen grains for a dose in White wine.

*An Infallible Remedy for the Jaundice of any kind, Black or Yellow.*

Take eight ounces of chosen Corants well washed and picked from all the little stalks; put to them one ounce of Rhubarb in most subtile Powder; beat them together in a Mortar seven or eight hours. Take of this every morning fasting, and at night about the quantity of a Walnut. It purifieth the Blood and strengtheneth the Liver wonderfully; and (continued) carrieth away all the peccant humours of the body.

For

*For the Mother.*

Take twenty grains of the fixed Salt of *Vulvaria*, in Whitewine or in Mugwort water, if the Patient be of a hot complexion.

*For the Sinews and the Head.*

Take of the Chymical Oyl made by Distillation, of Sweet-marjoram, of Nutmegs, *Ana* three parts, and of Cloves one part. If you will have it liquid, leave it thus: but if thick, to be portable; make these into an Ointment with the ordinary Oyl of Nutmegs made *per expressionem*; with this rub the soles of the feet, twice a week: As also the *Perinaeum* between the *Anus* and *Scrotum*, and the *Scrotum* and the *Emunctories* out sides of it.

This strengthneth Nature exceedingly.

*For Deafness.*

Take Oyl of Bitter-Almonds, Oyl of Nardish, ~~Ana~~ six drams, Juyce of Onions, Juyce of Rue, ~~Ana~~ two drams, Black Hellebory half a scruple, Coloquint half a dram, Oyl of *Exceter* two drams; boyl this till the juyces be consumed; then take Wool, dip it in, and put it in the Ear.

*Another for the same.*

Take of wild Mint, mortifie and squeeze it in the hand till it rendreth juyce; then take it with its juyce, and put it in the Ear; change it often; this will help the Deafness, if the person hath heard before.

For *Deafness* through Cold and humors clogging and benumbing the Ears, causing sometimes pain in them; is, to drop into the affected Ear one drop

drop (no more) of Oyl or Quintessence of Rosemary (which will not burn or pain them) and after it is soaked in (by lying with that Ear up) stop the Ear slightly with Cotton or black Wooll dipped in the Spirit of Rosemary. Repeat the drop after a day still as often as you find need.

*For the Small-pox,*

Take two or three grains of Saffron, and dry it well by the fire, then make a *Nodulus* of it in fine linnen, and infuse and press it in Posset-ale, Mace-ale or white Wine, till all the tincture and vertue be drawn out: give that to the Patient, and keep him warm: If he have soreness in the Throat, do thus: Boyl a quarter of a spooneful of dried Saffron (in a *Nodulus*) in half a pint of Milk till it be very yellow; in this, boyl a broad Stag of Linnen till it be thoroughly tinted, and put it warm and moist under the

Throat, as if you pinned it to keep on a Coif: When this Stag is cold and dry, take it off, and put on a new one, to which end you must have at least two, that one may heat in the Milk; whilst the other is pinned about the Throat: This will certainly take away all pain of the Throat in six or eight hours: you must not use Oyntment or grease to anoint the Scabs, but only plain ordinary *Unguentum Album*, when the Pustules begin to drye and this hath preserved all my Children from any marks.

To drive the venemous vapours from the Heart and head in the Small-Pox, Measles, &c. with great success with a familiar Julep or Emulsion, take the following.

Take Seeds of Citron one ounce, seeds of Card. Bened. one ounce and an half: beat them well, and draw out all their Pulp with two pound of some

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fit Cordial-water, as of Scabious  
*Card. Bened.* Mary-gold, or the like;  
 and sweeten it with two or three  
 ounces (*q. s.*) Syrup of Citron: Drink  
 of this as often as you have a mind, to  
 drink a reasonable glass-full; to make  
 it more Alexipharmacal to take now  
 and then, make a Julep containing  
*Confect. Hyacinthi* or of Alkermes and  
 Treacle-water, and diaphoretick *Antimony*,  
 and prepared Pearl, and what  
 else you think fit, and put a spoonful  
 or too of this into a draught of the  
 Emulsion.

*To prevent Marking in the Small-Pox.*

*This is a certain remedy for all Scars of  
 the Small-pox, and to take away all the  
 sharpness and pain of the humor that  
 breaks out in the Face; Do thus;*

As soon as ever the Small-pox are  
 come out in the Face, even at their  
 first forming and appearing evidently  
 to be the Pox (by their manifest com-  
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ing out.) Take Oyl of Sweet-Almonds newly drawn by expression without fire, and with a feather or other fit means anoint over all the face, going over it with the feather severall times, ( five or six ) that you may be sure every part of it is thoroughly well humected, and that it runneth down backwards by both Ears, as the party lyeth on their back to be anointed: Then take a book or two, ( as many as needs ) of beaten Gold ( of the purest ) and lay it on all over the face, leaving not a speck of it uncovered with Leaf-gold; and rather lay two leafs, one upon another, then to leave any part bare; for wheresoever there is a defect of Gold, there will be a scar; The Leafs will soon fasten on, by the drying of the Oyl, and so grow to a hard crust, which will shale off after ten or twelve days, when the scabs are dry and shale off, and there will be no marks at all of the Sores; and in the mean time the Patient will feel no pain upon



upon his Face, nor is any thing to be done to his Face after the Gold is layed on: This hath been tryed upon many with perfect success. Remember, how soveraign Gold is in curing and taking away the Acrimony of Ulcers: The Patients Eyes must not be covered with Gold nor anoynted with Oyl, but you must put Oyl and Gold upon the lids as close as you can to the hairs; so that neither of them get into the Eye, which is to be preserved with other fit things, as Saffron, &c.

*An infallible Remedy for the same.*

In a wine glass full of Sack dissolve as much Sheeps-dung newly taken out of the Sheeps-gut warm, as will make it pretty thick, yet so, that the Patient may drink it: Let him drink this, and lye quietly in his bed reasonably warm covered: This will make him sweat, and cause the Pox or Measles to come out kindly, and finish the cure very speedily.

*To prevent Marks of the Small-Pox.*

To prevent pitting in the Small-pox, boyl Cream to an Oyl, and with that anoynt the wheals with a feather as soon as they begin to dry, and keep the Scabs always moist herewith: Make your face be anointed almost every half hour.

*An Experimented Remedy for the Falling-Sickness.*

Take *Cran. Human.* Pairings of Nails of Man, *Ana* two ounces, reduce this to fine Powder, and grind it upon a Marble-stone; then take of *Polypod. Querci, Viscus Querci, Viscus Corilium, Viscus* of Tiliot, *Ana* two drams, Peony root dried half an ounce; beat this all into fine Powder; then take six ounces of fine Sugar, boyl it to the consistence of Rose-Sugar; then mix all the Powders with it,

it, and let them well incorporate over the fire, stirring them well together, then take it from the fire, and make it into little Tablets, of which give one in the morning fasting, and another two hours after dinner, and one two hours after supper. (Continue this) whiles the Tablets lasteth. *Prob.*

*Another for the same.*

*Many persons have been cured of the Falling-sickness by the following Remedy:*

Take Mistletoe of an Oak, the Leafs, the Berries, the sprutting Stalks and the solid Branches; dry it gently in an Oven, then beat it into fine Powder, of which give as much as will lie upon a shilling, for one of ripe years, for middle-aged, a six pence; for a child, a great; give it morning and evening in Cowslip-water, three days before, and three days after the full of the Moon.

*For*

*For the Falling-sickness and Convul-  
sion-fits of Children.*

Take Peony-roots fresh digged,  
scrape of them with a Knife, and ap-  
ply it to the soles of the feet: It help-  
eth immediately.

*To cause a good Delivery in a Woman  
with Child.*

Take a good large white Onion,  
or two lesser, peel and slice it, and in  
a Frying-pan, fry it with two or three  
spoonfuls of the best Sallet-oyl till it  
be tender; then put all into a little  
Pipkin with half a Glass full of Wa-  
ter, and boyl it well together, then  
strain it out, and drink that in the  
morning fasting: Continue this for a  
fortnight or three weeks immedi-  
ately before the time expected for De-  
livery. In a word, you prepare this  
Breath just as if you would make a  
Pottage

Portage of Onions, except you put in no Salt; and that you use Oyl instead of Butter: This course will so dispose the parts of the woman with Child, that she shall be brought to bed with security and very little pain: And if the Child should be turned in the Mothers Belly, it will bring it to rights before labour: Women that have had most dangerous labours till they took this, have had no difficulty afterwards.

For want of white Onions ordinary ones will do well.

*A Receipt of the Labour-Powder.*

Take Date-stones, Amber, Saffron and Cummin-seeds, beat & serce them all severally into very fine Powder; take of each as much as will lie upon a groat; but double so much of the Cummin-seed, mingle them all together, and when the woman is in her greatest extremity give her a spoonful

spoonful of it in Mace-ale : This is also very good to bring away the After-burthen.

*To bring away the After-burthen; or any Foulness or a Dead-child, and to Cure the After-throws and Gripping, after a Woman is delivered.*

Take the inner skins (that are wrinkled) of Gizards of Hens that are laying of Eggs; wipe them clean and lay them by to dry : When you have need to use them, beat them to subtle Powder, of which give one dram for a dose in a little white Wine : you will see the effect in a short time : If it be needful you may repeat the dose once or twice the same day.

*For Torn Bladders.*

A Person of credit told me, that he hath hung about the neck of women, who have had their Bladder dilacerated by unskilful Midwives in their Delivery, and made always their  
water

water with great torment; a little bag containing some Powder of Toads calcined; so that the Bag lay always upon the pit of the Stomack next the skin; and presently it took away all pain and inconveniences from that accident; as long as it hung there: but if you left off the Bag, the pain returned. A Bag continueth in force but a month; after so long time, you must wear a fresh one.

*To prevent at the Birth of a Child, Diseases of Putrefaction ever after.*

When a Child is new born, and the Midwife goeth to tye and cut the Navel-string, let the thread that is to tye it, not be drawn close immediately; but when 'tis about the Navel-string, and ready to draw and knit close; drive up with the finger and thumb the blood, that is at the root of the Navel, that so you may drive away out of the Childs body the loose blood

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that is newly } come in by the Spring;  
 And when all is strained out, draw  
 presently the thread close, and knit it  
 fast and cut off the Navel-string; This  
 will cause, that this Child will never  
 at no age, have the Small-pox, though  
 he or she should converse dayly with  
 those which are infected with it:  
 This hath been often tryed: That per-  
 son will also be free from sundry o-  
 ther Diseases proceeding from cor-  
 ruption, that Children and Adults  
 are subject unto; I conceive the rea-  
 son of this to be, that a great cause of  
 such Diseases proceedeth from the un-  
 converted menstrual blood of the Mo-  
 ther, which nourisheth the Child du-  
 ring its abode in the womb; which  
 when it is distributed through the bo-  
 dy of the Child, and is converted in-  
 to its substance or juyce, is not so  
 nocent; for it is then the natural nou-  
 rishment of it: but when the Child is  
 born to the free air, then it expecteth  
 nourishment by the mouth, and what  
 cometh



cometh in by the Navel & is not already converted into some substance or essential juyce of the child; lyeth rotting there, and is a ferment of putrefaction, and breaks out into some higher or universal Fermentation of the humors when other circumstances do make the whole ripe for it.

*To bring down a Womans Courses in an instant.*

Make the *Sulphur of Antimony* in this manner: Take *Antimony*, crude *Tartar Ana*; beat them to small Powder and mingle them well: put them into a strong Crucible, and give fire by degrees, at last extream strong, in 6 hours all is done: Take out the matter, and pulverise it small: pour store of warm water upon it, that it may dissolve all that is dissolvable of the Calcination: filter it, and then pour upon it enough of distilled Vinegar to precipitate all the *Sulphur*: Then (when it is well settled)

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pour off the supernatant liquor, and dry the remaining Sulphur. Put a little of it to burn upon a Chafing-dish of coals, and over it a funnel with a long neck, which makes it enter in *Valvam*, and it will presently make the Courses come down.

*For the brest and belly of women Lying in.*

Take *Sperma Cete*, and pure white Virgin-wax, *Ana*: melt the wax first gently; then put the *Sperma Cete*, to it and incorporate them well together, at last put a little Spirit of Wine to them, and stir all well together, and take it from the fire, & dip in a linnen cloth of the bigness of the Breasts and of the Belly, to cover them completely all over; Those for the Breasts must have a little hole in each, for the Nipples to come out. As soon as a woman is delivered, she must put on these, and upon the Plaister of the Breasts she must put some Flax picked loose, to  
cover

cover all the Plaisters over, and some  
 Flax under the arm-holes, then co-  
 ver the Flax upon the Plaisters with  
 other Linnen: The Plaister on the  
 Belly is to cover it all over; then she  
 swartheeth her body well: All this  
 must be opened every morning, and  
 turneth the Plaister on the other side  
 (for it is a Sparadrap, and conse-  
 quently both sides Plaister a like) and  
 at the end of eight days take fresh  
 Plaisters for eight days more; after  
 which time there needeth no more:  
 This shall so preserve, that there is  
 not the least wrinkle or crack in the  
 Brest or Belly, after bearing much  
 Children.

*An admirable Seer-cloth for a sore Brest,  
 Imposthumes, Fellons, green and old*

*Cure*  
 Take half a pound of the best Vir-  
 gins wax, half a pint of the Oyl of  
 Roses, half a pint of the Oyl of Olives;  
 melt them altogether, and let them

stand till they are cold, then take half a pound of White lead beaten fair; put it into the Oyl and Wax, then set it over the fire, and let it boyl half an hour; then take two ounces of Mastick, two ounces of Frankincense, two ounces of Myrrhe, two ounces of Gum Olibanon, beat all the ounces very small; put them into the other ingredients, and let them boyl half an hour more; Then take a quarter of an ounce of Camphire, and put it in, stir it over the fire, and dip the cloaths therein, and make it up in Roles for use.

*An Anodyne Cataplasme for Cancered Breasts.*

*The first Cataplasme that Mr. Bressieus applyed to Mrs. Brents Cancered Breast when it begun to break, was this.*

Take an old mellow Pippin, cut off a Cap at the top of it, and then take out

out the core leaving the sides of the Apple whole, that the melted Grease may not get out: fill that hole with Hogs-grease, then cover it with the Cap, and set the Apple to roast, when it is well roasted to pap (by which the Hogs-grease will be imbibed into the substance of the Apple) take it and pare off all the pairing, and break and mingle perfectly all the pap, that it may spread well, and be an uniform Pulp: Spread it thick upon Linnen, and lay it warm upon the Sore, putting a Bladder over it. This is an excellent Cataplasme, to take away and cool, and dissolve the swelling and hardness if it be dissolvable; and if not, to make it break and separate with ease, and without sharpness. This is to be changed every twelve or twenty four hours, according as it groweth dry.

*For Hardness in Womens Breasts.*

For a month take continually a Purge of Jallap, and always put over all the Brest a Linnen cloath that hath loose flocks of Flax stitched upon it, in such sort that there may be no hardness felt any where; let it be very thick and warm.

The way to take Jallap is to reduce a pound or more in one pancel of the wood into Powder, and mingle it well together, and keep it in a Glass close stopp'd; Then take half a dram or one dram or four scruples of it for a dose in white Vine and Sugar; and by this you may know certainly how all the whole quantity will work, that so you may increase or diminish the dose to the need.

With this a Lady of great quality cured her self.

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*For Hard Breasts in Women*  
*An admirable Pultis that cured many Wo-*  
*men of hard and sore Breasts is thus*  
*made.*

Take Turneps and boyl them well  
 in water, so that they be very tender,  
 then take them out and squeeze out the  
 water clean from them, beat them to  
 mash, and mingle with them some  
 good quantity of fresh Butter unsal-  
 ted, and apply this warm to the Brest  
 Pultis-wise upon a thick cloth very  
 large; and change it morning and  
 night: In three days it perfectly cured,  
 though before the pain and hardness  
 hath been very great.

*Another Medicine for the same is thus:*

Take Bores-grease and *Aqua-vitæ*,  
 melt them together with that, foment  
 the Brest well; then take a pewter  
 large broad Porringer, or very large  
 deep



deep Sawcer, or deep little dish, that may enclose and contain the Brest, and warm it well, and so put it upon the Brest, and tye it on all night: In the day time it is inconvenient to keep on the Porringer; but if you could have it always there, it were much the better; Dress it with this Ointment morning and evening: No metal but Tin will serve.

*To Cure the Tetters.*

Take *Fol. Parilla*, stamp it, and squeeze the juyce out of it, and put it upon the Tetters. It will infallibly cure them *ex parte*.

*Another for the Quick Tetters.*

Take *Venice Terebinthin* one ounce, make it to an Ointment *per lotion* in Rose-water; then melt two peny-worth of white Virgin-wax over a Chafing-dish of coals; put the *Terebinthin* to it,

it, and add one ounce of Oyl of Sweet Almonds to it, take it from the fire and beat it to the consistence of an Ointment; Anoint your Tetters with it.

*For Aches in any part of the Body, euen in Womens Breasts.*

Cause a Dyer to dye you some thick spungy Flannel of the blew colour called *Coventry-blew*. When it is dry, dye it again; dye it thus five times, at last the Dye will be so deep, that it will look almost black, lay of it on a good deal beyond the pained part on all sides; keep it thus continually covered, and warm with it.

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*A certain Remedy for the Piles or Hemorrhoides.*

*When the Hemorrhoides are exceedingly swelled, (chiefly outwardly) the Cure of them is thus:*

Take a little Cotton-wool, dip it in Oyl or Quintessence of Rosemary, and with that wipe gently over the swelled Vein, (which some times will be as bigg as a large Cherry) and after an hour or too, moisten the Vein again with the said Oyl: doing thus three or four times at like intervals: It smarteth a little for the present: After two or three or four times fomenting thus, the swelled Vein will break and much foul matter run out, and he shall have present ease, and in a little while it will grow whole; and after the breaking, it hindereth not his going abroad about his business: The Patient needeth the Oyl no more, after the sore is broken: for it will then be too sharp.

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*Another for the same.*

Take about a spoonful of the fat of Eely and neer as much of the yolk of a new-layed Egg, and beat them very well together to an Ointment: In this role a Tenty so as to make it take up as much as you can, and put it into the Fundament, and lay also a Pledget covered with the like Ointment upon the outward swelling, and this will give some ease presently: Change your Tents and Bledgers ( as they grow dry and hot ) and in a small time the veins will open and run, and it will be well.

The fat of Eel is made by boyling one or more Eels in water, and then skimming off the fat that swimmeth at the top: Or if you roast an Eel, take the fat that droppeth from it, so it be mixed with nothing else.

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*For the Outward Hemorrhoides.*

Use an Unguent made of sweet fresh butter and very subtile Pouder of the finest Ardoise, with which anoint the swelled and sore Vein, several times a day, ( still when the ointment grows dry ) as four or five times a day, or more ; and in a short time it will ease the pain and dry up the humor, and restore the Patient to health : If you carry the Root of *Scrotolaria* about you, it will preserve you from this evil.

*A Plague Cordial.*

Take a pound of the Leafs of Wood-sorrel, and pound them by themselves half an hour ; then take three pound of fine Sugar beaten small, and mix these together, and keep it stirring into the Wood-sorrel for three hours more, keeping still pound-  
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ing, and then take four ounces of Mithridate or *London-Treacle*; pound them altogether half an hour longer, which makes four hours together, then keep them close stoppt in a Gally Pot: In time of Infection in a morning fasting, Take as much as a great Nutmeg; and if stricken with any Disease at the heart or pain, in the Stomack, take the same quantity, and go to bed, and put your self into a meering sweat for one hour: and you will find excellent effects by it. *Prob.*

*For the same. Prob.*

Take the best Brandy wine, and Leafs of red Poppy that grows among the Corn (*Papaver Rheas*) *Ana* one pound, you are to extract the Tincture of the Poppy with the Brandy; but you must not put all together at once, but thus: Put four ounces of the Poppy leafs to the whole pint of the Spirit of Wine, and let them infuse together till you judge it hath extracted

tracted all the tincture, and then the  
 leafs themselves will be in some de-  
 gree dissolved: Then press out all the  
 liquor, and throw away the remain-  
 ing faces: Into this thick liquor put  
 four ounces of fresh Poppy leafs, and  
 do all as before: so do twice more  
 till you have the tincture out of the  
 whole pound of the Leafs, which  
 if you should do at once, would not  
 proceed well, because the Leafs are  
 light and take much room: Into this  
 liquor put two ounces of good old  
 Venice Treacle, and make it dissolve  
 therein; take two or three spoonfuls  
 of it in a little Sack or Mace Ale:  
 It driveth out the Infection power-  
 fully.

To preserve one in time of Infection,  
 eat a little of the tops of Rue  
 with Bread and Butter in a morning:  
 Or, eat a little old strong Cheese with  
 Bread and Butter (and a little Rue  
 with it, if you please) and drink a  
 glass of Stomachal Claret Wine,  
 or Wine and Water after it. A-



*Another excellent Remedy for the Plague.*

Take a pound of the Leafs of Wood-sorrel, and pownd them by themselves half an hour; Then take three pound of fine Sugar beaten small, and mix these together, and keep it stirring by little and little into the Wood-sorrel for three hours more, powning them all that while; Then take four ounces of Mithridate, and pownd it with the rest half stopped in a Gally Pot. In time of Infection take in a morning fasting as much as a Nutmeg; and if you fear you have taken any Infection, take almost as much more, and go to bed, and procure Sweat for an hour.

*Another Infallible Antidote.*

Take a little, almost half a Glasful of your own water; (of the mornings  
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water) beat with two or three spoon-  
 fuls of it a little Rue and a little (*Ache*  
 in *French*) (*Apium* in *Latin*) not half  
 a handful of each, squeeze out all  
 their juyce hard; drink this Wine and  
 juyce fasting. That morning you do  
 so, you need not fear any infected house  
 or persons.

*An Excellent Plague water.*

Take Rue, Egrimony, Wormwood,  
 Salendine, Sage, Balm, Mugwort,  
 Dragons, Pimpernel, Marygold, Fether-  
 few, Burnet, Sortel, Scabious, Wood-  
 betony, Brown-mugweed, Avence,  
 Tormentil, *Cardus Benedictus*, *Ana-*  
*Man.* and as much more of Rosema-  
 ry as any of these, *Angelica*, Burdocks,  
 green Walnuts, shred all these very  
 small; then pour upon them as much  
 white Wine as will cover them; then  
 slice into a glass 1 quarter of a pound  
 of *Enula Campana* Roots; let all these  
 infuse three days, stirring them every  
 twelve

twelve hours, cover them close, then still them in an ordinary Glass body, but lay it not above an inch thick in the bottom. Save the first running by it self.

*For Worms in Children.*

Take one dram and half of the best running *Mercury*, put it into a Bolts-head, and spit fasting spittle upon it (from a wholesome mouth) and shake it well: Then pour off the spittle from it, and wash the *Mercury* clean with warm milk several times, casting away the milk as long as it contracts any stain, or foulness or sullyings from the *Mercury*: Then let the child swallow this *Mercury* in a spoon with a little warm milk upon it, and drink a little more warm milk after it: Do thus twice or thrice, intermitting two or three days between every dose.

*For Wormes in the belly or Stomack,*

Take an Apple of *Coloquintida*, and split it in the middle into two halfs: fry one of them very well in good store of the Gall of an Oxe, till it be very tender and Pappy, and have imbibed into it self a good quantity: Then apply it warm (as hot as he can well endure it) to the Navell of the Child or Man at the hour of their going to bed, and tye it on fast with a convenient Bandage, that it may keep it on fast from stirring all night: When they rise, they may take it off: Next evening repeat the same again with fresh materials. Do thus three nights in all: This will kill any Worms in the guts or maw, be they never so many or dangerous. Often approved.

If in any person hath Worms in the belly, you may put up into the Fundament as far as you can, a long piece of fresh Bief in form of a Suppositor, and let

let it remain there a good while; Worms will fasten to it, so that you will pull them out sticking to the Bief, when you pull out the piece.

To cleanse all Worms entirely from within, you may find the tincture of *Antimony* made *Basilins's* way a very powerful remedy.

*An Excellent Plaister for the Stomack, that hath done such notable Cures, is thus:*

Spread Mithridate pretty thick upon thin Leather, and lay upon it all over some grated Nutmeg, layed also pretty thick on; and cover this with another Leather like the former, sewing them together round about, and lay this to the pit of the Stomack, and keep it on. One Plaister will serve many days. Use to cut off the upper part of a white Kids-skin Glove, about a good hands breadth, and sew it

together at one end ; then spread the Mechridate upon it ; then strew on the Nutmeg, then turn the Glove, so that the Plaister is between two Leathers, then sow the other end together, and so apply it: The bigness of the Plaister is to be about a hands breadth round. It is excellent for all indigestions and weaknes of the Stomack ; which cause Loosnesles.

*For Warts to take them away.*

Take green Leafs of Marigold, and beat them to mash in a Mortar, so that upon pressing it the juyce be apt to come out. With this Juyce-mash rub your Warts well three or four times a day. It will take away the Warts in a short time from any part of the body.

*Another for the same.*

Take some fat Bacon ; and rub the  
Warts

Warts with it ; and then hang it in the Sun to dry ; In three or four days the Warts will shale off without any pain, and will never more return.

*For Phrensie.*

I was assured by a Person of credit, that one cured a woman that had been madd some years, by giving her a draught of the juyce of the herb Ground-Ivie or *Gil go by ground*, at once taking : And they tryed it afterwards upon several others, and it had always the same infallible effect.

*For Head-achs, Sore-eyes, Fellows, &c.*

Boyl a good handful of the Leafs of Ground-Ivy (it may be had fresh all the year) in a quart of Ale to a pint, give half in the morning fasting, and half at night going to bed : It is admirable to cure all Headachs, pains, inflammations and defluxions in the



Eyes, Jaundises, Coughs of the Lungs, Consumptions, Spleen, Stone and Gravel, and all Obstructions. The Herb stamped and applied to a Felon like a Plaister or Cataplasm, cureth it marvellously and speedily. It is admirable for old Sores, in which you may add a little Coperas and Honey, if they need cleansing: you may make an Ointment of it.

*For Leprosie and Squinancy.*

Take a pint of the Juyce of Houfleck, and half a pint of Verjuyce, with these and a pint and a half of milk make Posset drink: of which give half a pint in the morning and as much at night: but to do better, be drinking of it all day long, so that you drink up this proportion in twenty four hours. It cureth the Leprosie, the Squinancy, the painful white Swellings in the Knees, and any Aches.

*An experimented Remedy for the Stone.*

*A certain Person at Rome was sick of a great Stone in his Bladder, who after many Remedies (taken in vain) was resolved to be Cut; having agreed with the Operator, This following Remedy was proposed to him by a Priest, of whom he received the Sacrament, who had made trial upon himself and many others. It is thus.*

*Take a good quantity of Millepedes, wash them with white Wine, then put them into a glased Pot; Lute and close it well, and set it in an Oven to dry the Millepedes: Then reduce them to fine Powder; then put to this Powder as much White Wine as it will drink up; then put it in the Oven again as before, which repeat three times; Then take this Powder, and mix it with Strawberrie-water, and a scruple of Oyl of Vitriol, and dry it once more in the Oven; then keep it*

it in a Glass close stopped. Of this Powder the Patient took four scruples, and half an ounce of *Aqua-vita* mixt with some fit Broath or other appropriated Vehicle, in the morning fasting; the effect of it was thus: The Patient found himself in great pains, and was much tormented, for the space of two hours; And after five hours past, he made a little urine, but very thick. The second day having taken this Medicine again, his Urine was much thicker then the first. The third day he avoided a great deal of Sand; but the seventh day he avoided so much sand that his Urine was full of it. And the ninth day the Patient was perfectly cured from his Stone.

*Another Excellent remedy for the Stone.*

Take the Berries of Hawthorns, and dry them; then beat them to Powder, and searce them finely; take a Spoonful

ful of this powder in a glass ful of white Wine in the morning fasting, and you shall never be troubled with the Stone as long as you take it.

*Another for the same.*

Take Parsnips, boyl them in fair Water ; drink of this water one glass-ful in the morning fasting, and one at night going to bed, and all the day long drinking nothing else. Continue this six weeks and you shall be cured.

*Another for the same.*

Take the white of a new layed Egg, beat it into an Oyl, then let it stand a quarter of an hour to settle ; then take away the scum and mix the white with two Spoonfuls of whit Wine, four Spoonfuls of red Rose-water, then put to this one ounce of whit Sugar-candy in Powder, stir it well together and take it in the morning fasting, and  
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another at night going to bed. Continue this six or seven days.

*Another for the same.*

Take a quart of white Wine, (the *Rhenish* is best) boyl it till half be consumed; then when it is cold, break into it two ounces of good *Emula Campana*, and stir them well together. Drink of this morning and night, and when you are a dry.

*Another for the same.*

Take the juyce of sower Limons, Oyl of Sweet-Almonds drawn without fire, *And* one ounce; beat the Oyl and the Juyce together; then mix it with half a pint of white Wine. Take of this a Glassful or half a Glass, according to the age or force of the Patient, three days before and as many after the full of the Moon.

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*Another for the same.*

The dung of a Bull three years old,  
being distilled, the water (being taken)  
will dissolve the Stone both in the  
Bladder and Kidnies.

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Take Onions; Calcine them into  
white Ashes, of which take one ounce  
in white Wine, it will dissolve the  
Stone.

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Take the root of the Herb called  
Cok, scrape it, and infuse it in  
white Wine the space of ten or twelve  
hours; then drink it, it will dissolve  
the Stone.

*A Compounded Hydrozacharum for the Stone.*

Take four Gallons of Running-water, four pound of fine Sugar in powder, Eringo Roots sliced one pound, Raisins of the Sun stoned one pound, a branch of fresh Rosemary: boyl these all together till half be consumed; then work it up with a little Yest, then tun it, and put the Peel of a fresh Limon into it: After it hath done working, you may bottle, it if you please. Of this drink morning and evening, and whensoever you are a dry.

*Another Excellent one for the same.*

Take a spoonful of Oyl of Sweet-Almonds, three spoonfuls of Juyc of Limons, two spoonfuls of *Aqua-vita*, three spoonfuls of fine Sugar; mix all these well together by shaking them in



in a bottle, then take it in the morning fasting. It hath done great effects.

*A certain Remedy for Retention of Urine.*

Take two handfuls of Water-Cresses, twenty four of the Seeds of *Alkakiagi*, two great white Onions cut in four quarters, two good handfuls of *Cremor Tartari*; put all these together into a leaded Pot, pour upon it a good quart of white Wine, let it boyl till half a pint be consumed, Take of this a Glasseful in the morning fasting, and another at night, and you shall be cured.

*Another for Retention of Urine.*

Make a strong Decoction of Horseradish Roots in white Wine, put to it a little Hares Wool dryed in powder. Drink of this Decoction morning

ing and night. You will see the effects of it speedily.

*Another approved Remedy for the Stone and Gravel.*

Take a Spoonful of Virgin Honey, the whitest you can get, and mix it with a Glassful of Juniperberry-water; take this in the morning fasting, and continue taking it for some time, and it will bring away the Stone and Gravel, and will open the passage of Urine wonderfully.

*Another for the Stone and Gravel, and for Strangury of Urine.*

Take the fat of a Buck Rabbit, melt it, and Anoint the Back and Reins with it. This will open the passage of Urine wonderfully. A Child was cured with this; so that in twenty four hours it made four Pots full of Urine.

*A Fryer in France, much troubled with  
stoppage of Urine and Viscosities,  
(which they called the Stone.)*

Was taught to take one dram of  
Carrot-seeds (he said the wild Carrot-  
seeds are better) and bruise them a  
little, and put upon them a draught  
of white Wine in a Bottle close stop-  
ped. Run the clear next morning  
through a Linnen, and drink that.  
This once preserved him from all in-  
conveniences of Urine for half a year.  
When the Disease grew again upon  
him, he took again this Remedy.

*An Infallible and approved Remedy for  
the Plurisie.*

Take an Apple, and open it at the  
top to take out the core, then fill  
it with white Euphorbia; then stop  
it again close with the same piece you  
cut out at the top, and roast it in hot  
Ashes; then beat it to mash, and  
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give it the Patient to eat. It never  
failed.

*An Infallible Remedy for the Sciatica  
and Rheumatism.*

Take Storax liquid, yellow Wax,  
new Pitch, Honey, *Ana* four ounces;  
Ginamon, Pepper, *Ana* one ounce;  
put all these (in Powder) together  
into a new Pot, and let it boyl but  
one halm, stirring it carefully all the  
while: then take it from the fire,  
and put into it four ounces of Aloes,  
and one ounce of Oyl of Lillies, stir  
them well together to make them in-  
corporate; then put the Pot again  
upon some hot Ashes, and stir it until  
it be of the consistence of an Ointment,  
which spread warm upon Leather and  
apply it; but if your disease be in a  
whole Thigh, then you may spread it  
upon a whole Lambskin.

You may leave it on seven or eight  
days, if it requireth. If the disease  
come

come again, put the Plaister on again.

This medicine will keepe a long time.

*To Cure the Hot and Cold Gout.*

Take a good quantity of the Insect called Cockchaffers, in the month of *May*, upon which (in Powder) put rectified Spirit of Salt to be two or three fingers breadth over the Powder; digest till the Spirit be tinged deep red; then pour off that, and put on more; which digest again. Repeat this till the Powder giveth no more tincture, doing in such sort that you employ no more Spirit then is necessary to extract the tincture; which filter so often till it leaveth no more faeces. Then dissolve two ounces of Salt of *Tartar* in a sufficient quantity of Spirit of Salt; then filter it; Then mix these two tinctures together, & digest them eight days in a gentle heat, then sepa-

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rate it from the fæces by filtration, and keep it in a Glass close stopped. The manner of using this liquor, is thus: Begin with a little dose; as two or three drops; so little a one that it may cause no sharpness of Urine; Take it in Hydromel or Small Beer. The next day take one drop more; so encreasing till you find a little sharpness; which you will do the third or fourth, or fifth day. The next day rest and take some Diaphoretick, the next day Purge. The next take again the same dose of the liquor as you did the last day; continue that three days. Then as the former time, resting and Purging. Repeat this course till you are well; continuing always the same dose of the liquor, which by a little pricking of Urine you found to be the due one.

The Purge which the Patient is to take, is thus: The day before, take Reisin of the Root of Jallap twenty or twenty four grains, Cryſtal or *Cremor*

*mor* of *Tartar* ten or twelve grains; mix these with Syrup of *Roses*, and take it in the morning. This will purge both the hot and cold Gowt by Stools.

During this course the Patient is to eat no salt meat nor fish; besides he should drink nothing but Tisane or Small Beer that day he taketh the liquor or tincture.

*An Excellent Plaister for the Gowt that will take away the pain immediately.*

Take Rosin of Pine, Common Rosin, yellow Wax, *Ana* four ounces, *Colophona* half an ounce, Stags or Doesgrease five drams; melt all these together, and then take Cloves two drams, *Croci Orient.* one dram and half, *Olibani* one ounce, Mace two drams; reduce all these to Powder, and stir it in with the rest. Then take it from the fire, and mix with it by little and

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little a pint of Alicant wine, and make it well incorporate together. Spread this upon Leather of such a bigness as you will have it, and so apply it, leaving it on until it grow loose of it self.

*Another Excellent Plaister for the Gout.*

Take the whitest part of Pigeons-dung, Mustard, of each a like quantity, temper this with white Wine-vinegar: then take the grease of a Puppy-dog, so much as will make it an Ointment or Salve, set it over a gentle fire, and put into it a handful of shred Parsly; let it stew easily the space of an hower; then take Garden-snails, and stamp them in a Mortar, then squeeze out all the juyce of them through a cloath, which mix with the Ointment and apply it. It will infallibly take a way the pain in an instant.

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*For the Kings-evil.*

A most Contumacious foul inveterate Kings-evil (several times touched by the King, and wrought upon by the best Chyrurgeons and given over as desperate) was perfectly cured thus:

Take Garden-snails that have white or gray houses vpon them, and beat them in a Mortar with a little Parsly into consistence of a Plaister, and so apply it to the Sore or Sores, and change it for a fresh every twenty four hours. This is also good to take away the raging pain of the Gowt.

*Another approved Medicine for the Kings-evil.*

Take pure Mercury sublimate one ounce, grind it in a glass Mortar with a glass Pestel to as subtile Powder as possibly you can. Put it into a large Glass Bottle, and pour upon it two

good quarts of pure Spring-water. Stop it close with Cork, and during some days shake the Glass very often, and long, every time, that as much may be dissolved as can be. The longer they stand together, the better. After it hath well settled (at least twenty four hours) pour off the clear, and filter it in a Glass Funnel, And keep it for use close stopped. When you will use it, do thus: Take of this water the quantity of a Spoonful, put it into a Glass-Fiol, and pour to it the quantity of two Spoonfuls of fresh pure Spring-water. Shake them very well together by shaking the Glass, and pour this liquor into a little Wine-glass, and let the Patient drink it in the morning fasting early. It will work by Vomit and by Stools, but very safely. Keep your self very warm, and walk up and down as much as you well can; but neither eat or drink, till full two or three hours after it hath done working; the next day

day take it again as before, if you can bear it. But if every day should be too often, take it every second day, and in forty days you will be cured. During this time eat roasted Mutton, Rabbits, Partridge, Chicken, or such Eucheime meat; no Salt meats, but good wholesome diet; nor drink Wine or strong Drinks. This course will cure in forty days any Kings-evil, broken or not broken: The Cancer or Wolf in a Brest, or any such sore in any part: All Fistula's wheresoever they be: All old sores in what part soever. To a child you must give a less proportion, both of the medicated water, and of the fair water. After the first or second Vomit, you may drink now and then some warm Posset-drink, as in other Vomits.

The sublimate is to be made of running *Mercury*, with Dantzick Vitriol calcined yellow, Salt, and some Salt-Peter, in the common proportion. But  
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after it is made, it must be sublimed again once by it self; then take only the solid Crystalline part.

You must use nothing but Glass, (no metal) in making or taking this medicine.

*An approved Remedy for Ruptures.*

Take *Sigillum Salomonis*, *Agrimony*, *Scalopendra*, *Politrizi* (which is the *Capit. Veneris*) Roots of Straw-berries, *Ana* one handful: Pick and wash them well, then stamp them, and boyl them in two quarts of good white Wine the space of two hours; but let the Vessel be well stopped, that nothing may expire. Then strain the liquor, pressing it hard through a linnen, and drink of this Tisane a good glass full in the morning fasting, and an hour after drink another; and continue this (taking two glass fulls every morning) till you are cured. The use of this cured a Lady of a great

great Rupture in a fortnights space;  
and likewise several others.

*Another for the same.*

A child was cured of a Rupture  
thus : Take Cow-dang, warm it well  
before the fire, and so lay it as a Ca-  
taplasm upon Leather, and strow up-  
on it some Cummin-seeds, and so  
apply it hot to the Rupture : When  
it is grown cold, put on a new one.  
This course they continued two days  
(in bed) and the child was perfectly  
cured, and also many others. It is ex-  
cellent, especially when it is *Hernia*  
*Ventosa*.

*For Cancers in the Mouth, Brest, or any  
part.*

Take the bigness of an Egge of Al-  
lum, dissolve it in a pint of fair water,  
in which quench an infocated Gad  
of Steel 6 or 7 times : use this Water  
thus :

thus: dip Corcherpy in it, holding it in a pair of wooden Pincers, with this wipe off the *Pus* or matter from the sore ; wipe not twice in a place with the same piece, for so you will carry to another place the *pus* you have wiped off ; continue thus with fresh cherpies dipt in it, till you have well clenfed the sore from all foulness. Then lay on a broad large cherpy dipped well in it, to cover entirely the whole sore, and cover that with a Plaister of *Diapalma* to make it stick on. Do thus morning and night till the Cancer be cured ; which it will in a few days.

*Another for the same.*

Take wild Parsneps ( *Pastinaca Silvestris* ) it hath white and very small flowers ; but many being upon a stalk makes it spread broad ; stamp the flowers, leafs, and stalks, and lay it upon the Sore like a Cataplasim changing



changing it morning and night ; in a few days it cureth.

*An Excellent Remedy for the Cankers in the Mouth.*

Take nine leaſs of Succory, and as much of long Plantain, and as many leaſs of Rue ; boyl theſe in fair water with a ſpoonful of Hony the ſpace of a quarter of an hour. Then take it off, and with the liquor gargarife your Mouth, and likewise drink of it, and with the herb rub the inſide of your Mouth. This will infallibly cure any Canker in the Mouth.

*For a Fellon.*

Take Garden-snails, and beat them in a Mortar, ſhells and bodies and all, till they be ſmooth and like an uniform Unguent ; then apply this like a Pultife, & when it beginneth to ſtinck, (which it will do in few hours) change it.

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It. This will cure it in two or three days.

*An Oyntment for Burning.*

Take Cows-dung, and put to it a sufficient quantity of Seindoux (Hogs-grease) fry or boyl them together till they are well incorporated: Then strain the liquor through a napkin; and when it is cold, you will have a green Ointment: which is excellent for Burnings.

*A most Excellent Red Balsom or Red Salve.*

Take the best Sallet-oyl three pound, Venice Turpentine one pound, yellow Wax half a pound, Red Sanders two drams, *Sanguis Draconis* six penny worth. Wash the Turpentine well in Rose-water, and the Oyl in Sack; then boyl the Oyl, Turpentine, and Wax, to the Consumption of the Sack; then put in the Red-Sanders and *Sanguis Draconis*; boyl it a while,

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while, keeping it stirred continually;  
then take it off and strain it.

This Balsom will heal any green  
wound in twenty four hours.

It is excellent for any Bruises, or In-  
flammation.

It will draw Bones, and Sinners, Tor-  
thons, dead flesh, or whatsoever fec-  
teth the body.

It is excellent for Aches in the Bones  
or Sinews.

It is excellent for Burnings,  
It helpeth the Head-ach by anoint-  
ing the Temples and Nostrils with it.

It is also admirable for the Colick  
and Stitch in the side, being applyed  
with hot cloths.

A dram of it being taken inward-  
ly in a little warm Milk, is excellent  
for any inward Bruises, Cough of the  
Lungs, for Surfeits and any inward  
grief.

It is very good against any Poy-  
son.

If it be taken in Cinamon-water,  
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and mixt with red Wine, it will certainly cure a *Gonorrhæa*.

*Another Excellent Ointment for Wounds  
or Sores in Man or Beast.*

Take Rosin, yellow Wax, of each a like quantity : Melt it with a soft fire ; then put into it half a pound of Hogs-grease, which being melted, put into it a spoon full of Honey, and half a pound of Turpentine, stir it well together half a quarter of an hour. Then take it from the fire, and put into it one ounce of Verdigrease in most subtile Powder ; stir it well together a pretty while, then put it over a soft fire again ; but take heed it boyl not : As soon as it beginneth to simmer, take it from the fire and strain it through a cloth ; then put it into an Earthen Pot and keep it for use.

This is also a most soveraign Oyntment to mundifie and heal any foul inveterate wound, be they never so festered

festered with dead proud spongy or naughty flesh. It healeth suddenly and abundantly ; but so securely that it never breaketh forth again.

It draweth Thorns , Nails, Splinters , Slivers and all things in the flesh.

*Another Excellent Green Ointment to be made in May, which cureth all sorts of Strains, Swellings, Aches, Bruises, Kibes, Cuts, Cramps, Burnings and Scaldings. It easeth the Sciatica. It is also excellent for all Swellings in the Face and Throat, yea though they look red and have an Ague in them.*

Take young Bay-leaves, Wormwood, of each half a pound, red Sage, Rue, (gathered in the heat of the day) *Ana* one pound. Beat them very small in a Mortar. Then take four pound of Sheeps Suet new killed and picked from the skin. Work this well together with your stamped Herbs , till they  
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be well incorporated, then put to them a Pottle of good Sallet Oyl; work it well with your hands, till it become all of one softness and colour; then put it into a new earthen Pan, and let it stand covered eight days; then boyl it over a soft fire the space of four hours, stirring it well all the while; then put into it four ounces of the Oyl of Spike, and let it boyl about four hours more. You will know when it is boyled enough by putting a drop upon a Plate, when it appeareth of a very fair green. Then take it from the fire and strain it through a new Canvas. Keep it close stopped in a Gally Pot. It will last seven or eight years.

*An approved Remedy for Biting of a Mad Dog.*

Take a quart of Ale, and a dram of Treacle, a handful of Rue, a spoonfull of shavings or filings of Tin.  
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Boyl these all together , till half be consumed. Take of this two spoonfulls in the morning, and at night cold.

It is excellent for Man or Beast.

*A most precious Ointment for all manner of Aches and Bruises ; and also for the Redness of the Face.*

Take Violet

Primrose

Elder

Cowslip

} leaves and flowers,

Sage, Mugwort, Ragweed, white Lillies, St. Johnswort, Nep, Smallage, Marjoram, Lavender, Sothernwood, Rosemary, Rose-leafs, Rue, Fetherfew, Tansie, Lovage, Mint, Camomile, Thyme, Dill, Clary, Oak of Jerusalem, Penyroal, Hysop, Balm, white Mint, Marygold, Peony-leafs, Bay-leafs, Saffron, of each one handful. Stamp all these in a Stone-mortar, as you get them, then put them into a Pottle of Sallet Oyl, and so let them



infuse there till you have all the rest together ; for you cannot get them all at one time , but get them as fast as you can. Then put to them and the Oyl, a quart of white Wine, and set it over the fire, and boyl it to the Consumption of the Wine ; then take it off and strain it ; then put it into a Glass and keep it for use.

When you anoint any sore with this, do it by the fire side , chafing it well in ; and then lay a Hogs-bladder next to it, and a Linnen upon that.

*A most Excellent Ointment for a Gangreen and all foul Diseases of the Skin.*

Take good yellow Wax, Gum of Pine, or instead of that , take Colophony, Rosin, *Ana* one pound in Powder. Melt the Wax first, and when it is well melted, put into it your Rosin, stir it well the space of two hours over a gentle fire ; then put your Colophony

lophony into it, and keep it still stirring with a wooden Spatule to make it well incorporate over a gentle fire that it may not burn your drugs : When you see that they are well incorporated, keep it still stirring the space of an hour ; then take it from the fire, and put a pound of fresh Butter into it, that hath no Salt in it, which work well into it, without fire, stirring it continually the space of a quarter of an hour, after which, put half an ounce of Verdigrease into it in most subtile Powder, work it well in also by stirring it continually the space of an hour and half. When you see that all is well incorporated, which you will know, when you see that the Verdigrease appeareth green ; then put it upon hot ashes, and stir it well for half an hour ; but take heed it boyl not, for so it would be spoiled. Then strain it, and keep it in a leaded Pot for use.

*A most Excellent Water for a Gangreen,  
to be used with the foresaid Oint-  
ment,*

Take fine Sugar four ounces,  
round Aristoloch cut in Rols, pare of  
their shells, and wash them three  
or four times in white Wine; then  
take two quarts of the best white  
Wine, and put it together with the  
Sugar and Aristoloch into a Vessel;  
which lute very close that the Spi-  
rits may not expire: let it boyl very  
gently till a third part be consumed;  
then take it from the fire, and when  
it is cold strain it through a Linnen  
Cloth, pressing it well to have the  
substance out of it, which put into  
a Fiol, and keep it for use.

*The Manner of using those foresaid Oint-  
ment and Water, is thus.*

Put some of the Water in a dish,  
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and warm it over a Chaffen-dish of Coals; then dip some fine Linnen or Cotton in it; and bathe the sore part with it, and three or four fingers breadth about the inflammation of it; then spread a Plaister of the Ointment, and lay it on; then lay a Linnen four double dipped in the Water upon that. Dress it thus every six hours. When you see that a circle comes it self between the good & bad flesh (which is a sign that the Gangrene looseneth it self from the sound flesh) then take away by little and little the mortified flesh, continuing dressing of it till you see a perfect cure.

The foresaid Water is also excellent for all old and rotten Ulcers, the swelling of any member or sinews, rubbing them with it, and chaffing it in before the fire, and putting a Linnen four double dipped in it upon the sore. It cureth also any inveterate wound whatsoever, &c.

It is also excellent for any interi-

our grief or pain being taken inwardly: but for that, it will not serve above eight days, for it groweth too bitter; but for any other operation it is always good. It is an excellent Preservative against the Plague, and for any Poyson, taking three Spoonfuls of it morning and night going to Bed.

It is also excellent for any Bruises by a stick, stone, or by a fall.

It is an excellent Remedy for the biting of a madd Dog, for stinging of Scorpions, Vipers and Serpents, opening the wound if it be not large enough, and bathing it with it, and dressing it with the foresaid Ointment, as you are directed above.

You may give the Patient (in the beginning) three or four Spoonfuls of it inwardly during three or four days.

This Water and Ointment are also excellent for a Horse farcys.

*Monsieur Trear* the famous Chyrurgeon at *Paris* hath done great and admirable

mirable Cures, with the foresaid Ointment and Water.

Sir *Kenelme Digby* transcribed them (with several other rare Receipts which are in this Book) out of his Book that his Widow lent him.

*A Purge which he used to give the Patient during his Cure.*

Take two quarts of white Wine, four ounces of *Sena* well cleansed, two ounces of Thyme or Serpiles, one ounce of *Pithemus*: put all these together in a glazed Pot, which stop well, and let it infuse the space of fourty hours. This quantity will serve for nine times taking. You may take some Broath after it.

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*Another Excellent water for a Gangrene, with which Monsieur D'Alance doth such wonderful Cures in Gangrenes.*

Take Frankincense, Mastick, Gloves, Galanga, Cinamon, Cubebs, *And* two ounces, *Lignum Aloes* one ounce, Venice Turpentine two ounces. Put all these into a Retort, and let them infuse the space of twenty four hours : then distill it in *Balneo Mariae* till you have two Waters ; the first will be clear, the second whitish. The clear water is admirable in a Gangrene ; bathing the Sore with it warm, and laying a Linnen four double dipped in it upon the Sore, and so changing it every six hours. But because the clear water keepeth not so well alone, you may mingle it with the second, and so use them both together.

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Monſieur Belieur cured the Gangrene,  
and all old Ulcers, Cankers, Pockie  
Sores, and Cancers; &c. with the Oyl  
of Gold made thus:

Take Spirit of Salt two parts, Spirit  
of Salt Peter one part; in this diſſolve  
as much Gold as it will diſſolve: diſtil  
off very gently the liquor in *Balneo  
Mariae* till the Gold remain in a Cry-  
ſtalline Gum or Salt, then let it re-  
ſolve to liquor in the air *per ſe*; then  
diſtil again and reſolve. Repeat this  
till it congeal no more, but remain  
a deep high coloured liquor. Dip  
a ſtraw in this Oyl, and touch all  
round about the borders of the Sore  
with it. With this he cured a very  
malignant Ulcer in a leg (that had  
been there above three years) in the  
ſpace of ten days; and alſo a Can-  
cer in a Womans cheek in fifteen  
days ſpace, that other Chyrurgeons  
(without hope of cure) had given o-  
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ver. With this he cured also a woman (that had 17 Cankers *in pudendo* that had been so some years, and without hope of cure) in fifteen days.

These Resolutions in the Air will make the Gold so volatile, that it will in time all rise up and pass over the helm. The King of *Portugals* medicine was such. I conceive that the Spirit of fixed Salt of *Salt-Peter*, is a better dissolvent; and best, if done with dew. *Monsieur T.* had a Tradition, that this Oyl of Gold brought to his complete perfection, would become a work of projection, if digested in an hermetick clausse till it be fixed, and a powder. I conceive it were better to make the like Oyls of Silver and *Mercury*, and mingle them with that of Gold in due proportion. And then surely they will putrifie and make a new and nobler generation. *Quere* of fermenting a new with gold single, after the other three are putrified

trified: As also of making a work  
with Gold and *Mercury* without Sil-  
ver.

*To draw Imposthumes outward without  
Incision.*

Take the white of two Leeks, and  
put them in a wet cloth, and so rost  
them in hot Ashes; but let them  
not rost too much. Stamp them in a  
little Hogs-grease in a Mortar; spread  
of this a Plaister very thick, and ap-  
ply it to the Sore, changing it every  
hour, till all the matter be come out,  
which it will do in three times; but  
when you take the Plaisters away, bu-  
ry them in the ground. And thus you  
may cure all sorts of Infirmities that  
happeth to the Ears, Imposthumes  
or Deafness. *Prob.*

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*An approved Remedy for Biting of  
Serpents, Vipers or other venomous  
Beasts.*

Take of the little *Consolida* that of the white Flower, Carvell, Plantin, the white part of Leeks, *Ana* one handfull, young branches of *Geniva* two handfulls, a little sweet Cream, Bay-salt a good handfull. Beat all these together, and squeeze out the juyce. Bath the sore part with this, and then lay the Pulpy upon it, and bind it on. This (saith Sir *Kenelme Digby*) hath been Experimented in my presence at *Paris*, upon a man whom the Chyrurgeons would take off the arm bitten by a Serpent, which was black and hard all over. He was perfectly cured in a few days by this Medicine.

*A certain Cure of a Gonorrhæa.*

The next day after the Purgation  
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of *Sena*, *Clary*, *diapruna laxativa*, in white Wine, as you know. Take this following : Take *Trochisci Alaband.* half an ounce in most subtile Powder. Infuse it in a pint of good Spirit of Wine in a large Boulds-head close stopped, set it in blood warm Ashes or Sand, or rather a little hotter, the space of twenty four hours, shaking it well as often as you can ; then pour it off from the fæces , and let it stand till it be very clear. Take of this one ounce after your Purge, continuing taking it two days together ; but if it be too hot, mix it with a little pure Canary-Sack. The third day take the Purge again. Repeat till you are well. It is an infallible cure.

*An Expedite and Sure Cure of a Gonorrhæa.*

Purge the Patient very well three or four times, and give him smoothing Emulsions. Then take Venice Turpen-

Turpentine, wash it very well with Rose-water, and make it into a reasonable thick body for *Bolus's* with subtile Powder of Mastick; about the fourth part will serve. Take of this every morning fasting two or three drams, and drink upon it a good draught of new milk, if you sup not. Do the like at night going to bed. You will be well in ten or twelve days.

*A sure way to Cure Venereal Cankers.*

Apply to them the ordinary suppurative, which is *Basilicon*, with a fitting proportion of *Mercury dulcis* ground to most subtile Powder, mingled with it. This will suppurate it, and draw out all the Venereal venom, and heal it without any scar or hardness: whereas if you touch the Cankers with Spirit of *Vitriol* or *Sulphur*, it will make a scar, and then the venom not being able to run out,

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It will work inwards, and may make the Pocks, and will make hardness in the place of Sores. If you cannot come well to anoint or lay a Plaister upon the sore parts, syringe it with Rose and Plantin water, in which you have put a good quantity of *Mercury dulcis* in most subtile Powder, and make the Syringe suck up the Powder of *Mercury*. This will quickly allay the inflammation and pain, and kill the poyson, that you may afterwards finish the cure with your *Basilicon* and *Mercury dulcis*.

*For Contusions or Bruises.*

After Mr. *Craquenels* broken Leg was knit, he wore all the day during some time a laced Stocking of Dogskin, & at night (to discuss the humors and swelling, and to strengthen the part) he spread very thick upon estoups some Honey, and layed that to it, after he had first bathed the part with Spirit of Wine, and sprinckled also  
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the Honey with Spirit of Wine. This is a great discussive of humors. A Boy fell upon his face, and a knob as big as an Egg swelled presently upon his forehead and Temple : they layed this remedy to it, and by next morning it was well. It is for Contusions and swellings thereupon ; but not where there is solution of continuity.

The Spirit of Wine is much better for this, if it be first well impregnated with the tincture of *Hypericon*.

*For any kind of Tetters or Herpes, &c.*

Disolve two ounces of running *Mercury* in 4 ounces of the best *Aqua-fortis* pour upon the solution a quart of fair water, in which is dissolved two handfuls of Salt, and then filtered. This will make the *Mercury* fall down to the bottom in a white Calx. When it is well settled, pour off the clear water ; which keep for your use. Pour the remaining milky thick substance upon

upon one pound of Hogs-grease melted in an earthen Pot. The grease must be very hot when you pour in the dissolved *Mercury*; but take the Pot from the fire when you pour the *Mercury* to it; and stir it well all the while you are pouring it in, and when it is all in, set the Pot upon the fire again to boyl the grease, till all the moisture of the Mercurial substance and solution is evaporated away; but be sure you stir it very well all the while; as also after you take it from the fire (which you do as soon as the moisture is gone) till the grease is cold and hardened.

The way of using this Ointment and Water to cure all sorts of Tetter, or Herpes, or any scabby Itches or inflamed red Faces or Noses is thus: First, if the evil be very great, purge & let blood very strongly. Then begin with the Water: rub the Tetter and all about it with Linnen dipped in the Water made as hot as you

can endure it ; and when you have rubbed and bathed it well, lay upon it Compresses wetted in the water. Do thus twice a day for two or three days or more, till you see it hath drawn out the Salt-humor abundantly, and that the part is much inflamed and very sore, and hath little holes or ulcers eaten in it. Presently after the first washing, it will grow very sore and inflamed ; therefore you must not afterwards rub it so hard as at first, but very gently. Some Sores will require that you use the water five or six days, others more ; tender ones two or three days. When you judge that the Water hath drawn out sufficiently the violent matter ; then anoint with the grease as hot as you can endure it, and lay upon it a Plaster of the same Ointment, binding it on.

This Ointment will presently assuage the pain, and take away the inflammation. Dress it with it twice

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or thrice a day. Much matter will run from the Sore as from an Ulcer ; and by little and little it will heal up. And that which is wonderful is, that whereas one would think that such deep holes as the Water will have eaten, should leave scars, there will not appear the least mark of them ; but a fine new tender natural skin will come over it all.

Monfieur Trears *Excellent Medicinal Stone of great vertues.*

Take white Vitriol half a pound, green Vitriol one pound, Alum one pound and half, Anatron, common Salt, *Ana* three ounces, Salt of Tartar, *Armosia*, Cichory, Plantin, *Perficaria*, *Ana* half an ounce, Myrrhe, Frankincense, *Ana* four ounces, Salt of Wormwood half an ounce. Reduce all these to most subtile powder. Then put them into a new glazed Pot, and pour upon them a good quantity of Rose  
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Vinegar. Then put it upon a soft fire, and stir it continually, till you see that it begin to thicken; then put into it half a pound of *Cerussa Veneta* in subtile powder; keep it stirring over a gentle fire it till grow to a Stone. Then take it off and keep it for use.

This Stone (a piece of it) being dissolved in Rain or River water (warmed, and the affected part bathed with it, and a linnen layed on four double dipped in this water) will cure any foul inveterate Wound, or any old and rotten Ulcer.

It cureth any Defluxion, and comforteth the sore part.

It cureth any Ulcer or Canker in the mouth.

It fasteneth loose Teeth, and hindreth putrefaction of the Gums.

It cureth the *Noli me Tangere*, or any Ulcer in the Throat, warming a little of this water, and gargarising your mouth with it.

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It cureth any Fistula's and Chilbains  
on Feet.

It is an exceeding good Remedy for  
all sorts of Iniposthumes.

It is exceeding good for any Burn-  
ing or Scalding.

It is an excellent Remedy for any  
Cancer in the Brest. In fine, its Ver-  
tues are innumerable.

*To dry up sharp Humors with ones own  
Water.*

A certain Lady had an humor broke  
out at the lower part of her heel, which  
neither Physitians with Purgings and  
Diet drinks, nor Chyrurgeons with  
Ointments could heal and dry up: it  
was healed in three or four Fomentati-  
ons with her own Urine newly made  
and some white Salt dissolved in it, all  
warmed, and then with linnens doubled  
foment the place by the fire side, for  
a quarter of an hour; then bind on a  
clean dry linnen and compress to it.

Do thus morning and night. This is also excellent for Kibes and Chilblains, even after they are broken; and if used before they are broken, it will prevent them.

It is exceeding good to wash and bath ones feet and back-sinews with ones own Water warmed. It strengthneth and suppleth them.

*An Experimented Vulnerary Potion or Wound-drink.*

Take leafs of the large *Consolida*, *Agrimony*, *Armosia*, Ana two handfuls, herb Robert three handfuls, *Mumia* half an ounce, *Veronica* fix handfuls; make a Decoction of this with white Wine and Water in a vessel close stopped.

Then pour off as much as you can of the cleare; then distil the remaining matter. Then add the distilled Water to the Decoction. Take of this a little Glassful in the morning fasting



fasting, and as much at four of the clock in the afternoon.

This hath cured a Gentlewoman of an Ulcer in the Reins, in six weeks space.

This cured also a Fryer, who being Cut of the Stone, could not be healed.

It will cure any interiour Ulcer.

*Cooling and not Biting Vulnerary Herbs.*

*Prunella*, (i. e. Self-heal) *Bugula*, *Namularia*, *Consolida Major*; *Equisetum*, (somewhat hotter; but not in excess) *Elabrica*, *Veronica*, *quare* of *Mille-folium*, (Yarrow) *Perola*, an excellent Vulnerary herb; have the Root from about *Geneva*, or the *Grisons*, or the Mountains of the *Swisses*. All these to be used inwardly.

*Panax Coloni* (Clowns All-heal) is a most admirable Wound-herb, outwardly. See *Gerard's Herbal*, how he useth it.

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*An Excellent Ointment for wounds and  
Ulcers.*

Take eight ounces of the Oyl of Nuts, Cerufs, *Minium*, of each four ounces, two ounces of Bole Armoniac, one ounces of burned Alum, eight ounces of white Honey. Put your Oyl of Nuts into a Basin, and make it hot; then put into it your Cerufs, *Minium*, and Bole Armoniac, by little and little, being first well pulverized: and stir it well for an hour or two; then add to it the Honey, and the Alum brought into a Powder: All this you are to boyl for two hours over a gentle fire, and have a care of too great an ebullition; and as soon as you see, that it is boyled to the consistence of an Ointment, take it off from the fire, and stir it so long till it be cold.

It is a most excellent Ointment in all fresh Wounds, in Nerfs Cut, Fractures, and all Ulcers.

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*A Digestif.*

Take of Venice Turpentine the worth of two pence, and wash it well with water, the yolk of an Egg, and for a penny worth of Oyl of Roses: beat all together, and use it in fresh wounds, dipping Cherpies in it and laying it on, and a Plaister of the said Ointment; and a Compress wetted with Spirit of Salt and Water upon it, and tye up the wound.

The Proportion of the Spirit of Salt is, to be so much as to make the Water pretty sharp, a little sharper then to drink. This Digestif and Compress are to be used only when there is an Inflammation or Erysipela's about the Wound; else the Ointment alone serves.

*To Cure any Sore Leg, or old contumacious  
Sore, or Wound.*

Take the leafe of the Herb call'd  
*Morel* in French (the leafe of it have  
Teeth; the buttons or flowers are yel-  
low) and beat them in a Marble or  
wooden Mortar; then open the Marg  
with your fingers to make it light and  
spongy, that it may take up his juyce  
again to it. Then lay it pretty thick  
upon the Sore, and a double Linnen o-  
ver that; then over that a leaf of red  
Cabbage boyled till it be tender, that  
may cover the Leg all round about the  
Sore (for this takes away all inflam-  
mation and angriness in the flesh) then  
bind up over that. Dress it thus morn-  
ing and night. If there be any rotten  
or dead flesh in the Sore, that must be  
first eaten away and cleansed before  
you apply the *Morel*, that the Sore be  
clear and Vermil. With this have been  
cured strange Ulcers on Legs.

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## For Fistula's and Ulcer's.

Get Pauls-Betony one handfull; Agrimony, Sanicle, Moufear, Bugle, Self-heal, *Pyrola* Wood-rue, *Consolida Saracenicæ*; Corfs-wort, Scabious, Sweet-Maudlin, Avens, Spatling, Poppy, Plantain, each half a handfull; of Roots of Liquorish, *Scorfonera*, wild *Angelica*, Red Beets, *Virga Aurea*, of each an ounce and half; of the inner green rind of *Dulcamara* and *Tamarisc*, each a handfull and half; Harts-horn four ounces, Crabs Eyes bruised three ounces, *China* two ounces, *Sarsaparilla* four ounces, cut, bruise, chop all small: infuse them in a pottle of white Wine; a quart of Elder-flower water, Wormwood and Ladies-mantle water, of each 3 pints. Let them stand in warm embers; but not boyl more then 12 hours. Then boyl all in a covered Vessel, till almost half be consumed: Strain it lightly, clarifie it with whites  
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of Eggs, pour it off; leaving the dregs behind; then add Honey of Roses one pound and an half, Syrup of juyce of Scurvy-grass 6 ounces. Give it the boyl only till it mingle; scum and bottle it close. Take five spoonfuls at once first in the morning, and at four in the afternoon, and at going to bed; adding to every Dose six grains of Salt of Vitriol, and two grains of Salt of Tin.

Where there is Fracture of bones, put to the other ingredients three ounces weight of Savine dried and powdered, and one ounce *Lapis ossifrag.*

Use no Unguent to the Ulcer, nor Plaister, unless that of the juyce of Tobacco, and juyce of *Dalcamara*, boyled to a consistence, and made into the form of a Plaister with a little Wax and Turpentine.

*A most excellent Plaister of very great vertues, called the Plaister of Norimberg.*

Take half a pound of *Lythargyr. Argent.* and a pint of very good Wine-vinegar; mix these two together, and let it stand so three days. Then pour off the clear, and add to it half a pound of *Minium*, and as much of *Aqua Spermat. Ranarum*. Let it stand again three days, stirring it often every day with some stick or other. After three days standing pour it out quickly into a broad Brass Bason; adding to it of Oyl of Olives or Wallnuts, one pound, and three ounces of common Salt. Let it boyl, stirring it very well, to the consistency of a Plaister, adding in the end a little Camphire.



*A Plaister very Excellent for many things.*

Take a peck of Garden Snails, and pick them clean from the shells unwashr, which stew in a close pot with a quart of Muscadine; and be sure they do not boyl. When they are tender stewed, take them out of the Muscadine and stamp them; and as they are stamping, take of the tender tops of Rosemary, Rue, Elder tops or buds, Red Sage of each of these a handful; chop them small, and put them into the Muscadine, where the Snails are stewed in, and boyl them very soft and tender; then put in the Snails again, and with them six penyworth of Saffron, five Spoonfulls of Neats-foot Oyl, and an ounce of Mithridate; Boyl all these together, till they be very thick, and fit to spread; then put it into Pots, and keep it for your use. This will keep good a year. When  
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you apply it, spread it upon Leather to the grieved place, and renew it once in four and twenty hours. The best time to make it, is in *May* or *June*. It will cure any Ach or Sinew, strain or grief, in the Sinews or Muscles, and the dead Palsie, as hath been often proved.

*An Excellent Astringent Plaister for the Back.*

Take Comfry roots, Knotgrass roots, Cynquefoyl roots, Bud-weed or Baud-weed of each 2 good handfuls. Stamp all these, and put to them a quart of the best Sallet Oyl; then let it boyl softly till the Oyl hath extracted the vertues of the Roots; then strain it; then put to it four ounces of Venice Turpentine, and as much of Virgin-wax, and two ounces of Pitch.

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*The Excellent Balsom of Doctor Salvatore Winter, given me by him, and made by my Chymister with an addition of his own of more ingredients.*

Take Linseed Oyl two gallons, Colophony, Rosin, Bees-wax, *Ana* three pound, Storax, Pitch, *ana* one pound, Venice Turpentine two pound, Oyl of Turpentine four ounces [to these he added, by his own judgment, Oyl of Bricks half a pound] Put your Linseed Oyl in a Kettle, and when it is very hot, put into it your Colophony, Rosin, and Wax, in little pieces: then put in your Turpentine and Pitch, and Storax, and the Oyl of Turpentine, stirring it as long as it is on the fire.

*His Addition.*

Now put in to it half a pound of the Oyl of Tobacco, and four ounces of the juyce of Orpin (that is, the Herb stamped and the juyce strained out; and permitted to settle till the thick faces be sunk

sunk to the bottom; then pour off the clear juyce) also four ounces of *Sacharium Saturnii*; and one ounce of Borax. Let them incorporate on the fire half a quarter of an hour. Then take the Kettle from the fire, and keep it stirring till it be just cold, least some of the Ingredients should be so heavy as to sink whiles it is liquid. When it is through cold, put it into Gally Pots.

*For the Kings-Evil.*

Melt one dram or two of the Balsom, and put as much of the following Spirit unto it, taking it immediately from the fire: mix them well together, and anoint the swelling with it; as also the Sore if there be any broken out, (for it causeth no pain, but giveth rather ease, to any raw part) and continue this bathing or anointing twice a day, and keep the affected part warm. But it is convenient to purge and sweat in this case.

The like mixture of Balsom and Spirit, is excellent for the running Gowt, or other Gowt; also, for any strain or bruise, or swelling, or pain whatsoever, and for stiches, and any strain in the back, and for any wounds, new or old. They are great searchers and penetrate mightily; yet without all pain.

A Maid had been much troubled with a Tetter on her Arm above four years, much matter running out of it. Some of the matter being taken upon a rag, was dressed with some Sympathetick Powder, and some of the Balsom applied to the Tetter; and so dressed twice a day for three dayes; and the Maids Arm was perfectly cured, and continued well and firm.

*Doctor Salvatore Winter's Spirit, as my  
Man made it for me.*

Take common good Brandy seven  
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gallons, Flowers of Camomile four handfuls, leafs of Plantain, leafs of Rue, *Ana* three handfuls, leafs of Rosemary twelve handfuls, leafs of Bétony two handfuls. First dry all these Herbs, and then put them into the Brandy, and set them in a gentle heat to digest for eight or ten days; and then press it out and distil it from the fæces, and then put it in a long body, and to every pint of this liquor put the following Ingredients, Myrrhe half an ounce, Safran, *Castoreum*, *Succinum*, Benjamin, *Ana* half a dram, Storax one dram; beat all these grossly together, and then put them into the Spirit, and let it stand in digestion eight or ten days more; and then distil off the Spirit in a gentle *Balneo*, taking only that which will burn all away.

[This addition of Myrrhe, &c. was done by my man upon his own conceit that it would make the Spirit the better; and the truth is, it had very good effects in the cases afterwards

set down. But me thought it was weaker after the second Distillation and Addition, then the Authors Spirit; which peradventure may be, because peradventure the latter Ingredients did retain some of the chief Spirits. Therefore if this Addition of Ingredients be judged good, I should choose to put them in at the first with the Herbs, and so make but one Distillation.]

This Spirit I found excellent in Fits of the Mother. Smell strongly to it, and drink a little of it down. You can take but a little down, it is so strong; some drops or half a Spoonful, or so. Use it after the same manner for giddiness, or any pain in the Stomach, and against all fumes offending the head, either hot or cold; any swoounding fits or faintings. For deafness and to help the hearing, dip a little Cotton in it, and put it into the Ear, and likewise smell strongly to it, that the strength of it may penetrate through



through all parts, and pour a little of the same upon the head.

This Spirit alone is excellent for Burnings.

*Distillation of Tobacco.*

First distil the stalks of Tobacco with three heads of Glass, and three Receivers, the one after the other; In the first you will have a Balsom, in the second a yellowish Oyl, in the third nothing but Water.

The next tryal I made was with one head only; but changing the head, as soon as it was hot, for another that was Cold, I found in the Receiver Balsom, Oyl, and water altogether; which sepeerate at several Distillations.

The Balsom alone being laid upon an Ulcer in a mans leg, did presently fume into his head, and provoked both Stool and Vomit, and healed the Ulcer.

It is of an extream light quality. It

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healed the thumb of a Skipper, that was Cut to the barebone in twenty four hours.

It cured also a Tetter or Ring-worm in a Gentlewomans forehead.

If you dip a little Lint or Cotton in this Balsom, and put it to the Tooth, it will infallibly cure the Tooth-ach.

It is also very medicinal, being taken inwardly (from eight to ten drops) in white Wine. It is excellent to open Obstructions of the Lungs, &c. but more is a Vomit.

The Stomach anointed with the Balsom, or with the Oyl, provoketh Vomit, but anointing with it about the Navil worketh downwards.

You may draw the Salt out of the remainder, which is excellent to cleanse all impurities of the Lungs and Liver: It purgeth the Head and Brain, as also the blood. It provoketh Appetite, and causeth good Digestion. It is also good to drive away the Dropsie.

Dropſie. The Doſe is fix grains in a dram of the Baſſom of *ſulphur*.

This Salt being lapt in a rag, and held between the Teeth, draweth abundance of Rheume, and cureth the Toothach.

*For the Falling of the Uvula.*

It is an infallible Remedy for the falling of the *Uvula* to do thus: Gag your ſelf with the joynt of your thumb, whoſe one end joyneth to the hand, and the other end is the middle juncture of the thumb: let your two rows of Teeth reſt upon theſe two ends of that joynt, ſo as to make you gape wide: Keep your ſelf gaping with this joynt in your mouth as long as you can, all the while ſucking in your breath. When you are weary of continuing in this poſture, take out your thumb, and reſt. After you have repoſed ſufficiently, repeat again all the ſame action: and when you are weary

weary, pause again. You shall not have done so thrice, but your *Uvula* will be restored to its due place.

*An Excellent Medicine from Antimony and Mercury sublimite.*

First sublime *Mercury* from *Vitriol*, *Salt*, and *Salt Peter*; then an with *amalgame* of *Antimony*, distil a *butyrum*, which warm, and pour upon the powdered *Caput mortuum* in a new Retort, then distil it again as before. Which repeat so often until the *Caput mortuum* remain as Ashes, (every time in a new Retort.)

Take then the distilled Oyl, and cohobate it as before upon fresh *Antimony*, till it remain as ashes, so will the Oyl be exalted to a red Ruby colour.

Take the said red Oyl, pour therein half as much strong Spirit of *Saltpeter*, then abstract it again, and there will remain behind one ounce of the Spirit of  
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*Nitre* : so do with the rest, till all the Spirit of *Nitre* remain behind.

Then put thereon common Spirit of *Vitriol* four fingers above it, and distil it off dry ; then will it be freed from the corrosive *Nitre*, being afterward wealed in a Charcole fire : Lastly, dulcifie it with Spirit of Wine, then is it well prepared.

Three, or four, or five grains taken at once in *Theriac*. and continued for some days together, driveth out the most malignant *Morb. Gall.* Nor is there any Disease old or new, but it cureth besides externally all Wounds, Fistula's, Wolfs, &c.

#### Cornacchius his Medicinal Powder.

Take *Regulus* of *Antimony* four ounces, pure *Saltpeter* four ounces, mingle them well together in subtile Powder, and cast them into a red hot Crucible, and make them burn by casting in a fire cole, which repeat as often

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as it consumeth; for without that the *Saltpeter* will not burn, there being no more *Sulphur* in the *Antimony* to set it on fire. Keep it thus in fusion in a reverberating heat for at least an hour, stirring the matter often with an Iron Rod; then let it cool. Give of this with the *Stammony* and *Cremor Tartari* ana ten grains. Be sure that the fixed Salt of *Saltpeter* do not dissolve, nor be separated from the *Antimony*; for in that consisteth the vertue against Feavers.

The best way is to make the *Regulus* of *Antimony*, to put first into the Crucible the *Saltpeter* and *Tartar*, and when they are well melted, put in the *Antimony*, and proceed in the rest in the usual manner: Thus you shall have six or seven ounces or more, of every pound of *Antimony*. Likewise to make a martial *Regulus*, put the *Antimony* first into the Crucible; and when it is in perfect fusion, then put in the *Mars*.

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The use of the Spirit of *Tartar*, is also good for all Obstructions, particularly of the Spleen, and keeps the body open.

The dose is from 15 to 30 grains.

It doth also good in Feavers and Agues, and likewise in the Venereal Disease, it is a good cleanser of all parts.

*Spirit of Sal Armoniac.*

Take *Sulphur*, *Sal Armoniac*, ana five ounces, very strong quick Lime six ounces: Powder them all a part very finely, then mix and grind them well together, and put them into a Retort, and distil in Sand, giving very strong fire, at last a very strong Spirit will come over.

The yellowness of it, and tinging black the fingers, or silver, sheweth there is of the *Sulphur* in it.

Make thus the Spirit of *Sal Armoniac* to smell to, which is exceeding subtile



subtile and penetrant. Put into the bottom of a body Retort about three fingers thick, more or less, a bed of strong quick Lime ground into subtile Powder. If but coarsely broken it will serve, for the water will dissolve it. Pour upon it some water in which is dissolved *Sal Armoniac*, as much as the water can dissolve. The quantity of this solution, which you must pour upon the quick Lime, is so much as to soak it well, and swim a little half a fingers breadth over it. Distil this in *Balneo*, keeping the subtile Spirit by it self. If any flegm should be come over with it, rectifie it once from the flegm in *Balneo*. This is not only good for benumbed heads to smell into, but also to take inwards. The former is a great healer of inward Ulcers.

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*Balsom of Sulphur for the Brest, &c.  
and for Tetters.*

Make Spirit of Turpentine thus: Distil it in a Cucurbite by it self (without water, or ought else) in *Balneo Marie*. Then rectifie it by it self four or five times. The measure to know when it is enough rectified, is, that it unites perfectly with the pure Spirit of Wine. Put this upon flowers of *Sulphur* sublimed five or six times *per se* (unless it be so after sublimed, it will not do) and digest them a while together) and the Spirit will dissolve all the *Sulphur* (which if there be not enough of the Spirit to do at once; pour off the solution, and put on fresh Spirit) Put this solution with eight, or ten, or twelve times as much pure fair water (if it be distilled it is the better) into a Cucurbite, and distil it in *Balneo* till there remain in the bottom a substance like a *Calophonia*,

*nia*, which when it is cold, will be brittle and transparent red like a Ruby. The water will have carried over with it all the Spirit of Turpentine, and only the *Sulphur* will remain behind. Beat this friable substance into subtile Powder, and pour pure Spirit of Wine upon it. All will dissolve in the Spirit of Wine, excepting a very little faeces of the Spirit of Wine, leaving the *Sulphur* in a mucilaginous Balsom.

This is excellent in all inconveniences of the Brest and Lungs. Also if you anoint any Tetter, Itch or Scabs with it, it cures them in three or four times, doing it morning and night, or oftner.

The Balsom of *Sulphur* made the ordinary way with the Oyl of Walnuts, is also a certain cure of Tettters, Scabs, or Itch. Also the Oyl of Toads. If all the Oyl of Turpentine be not come away at this once putting of water upon the Solution: put more  
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water upon it before it be distilled dry (for before that, you may judge whether all the Spirit be, or will come away this bout) and distil as before. When you see the water come away without bringing any Spirit over with it, and yet some water remaining behind, it is a sign all the Spirit of Turpentine is severed from the *Sulphur*; then distil to dryness. Till this sign, put on still new water.

*An Excellent Medicine of Gold and Mercury.*

Take the Spirit of *Saltpeter*, make it *Aqua Regis* by dissolving in it a fourth part of the fixed Salt of *Saltpeter*, in such manner as you make *Aqua-fortis* regal by *Sal Armoniac*. Then dissolve Gold in it. Distil off in *Balneo* what will rise. The *Menstruum* will come over tinged yellow. Put it on again upon the matter remaining in the Retort, and then it will distil white,

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the Gold in the bottom retaining, which rose before. Put this dry Salt to dissolve in the Air : The Gold will dissolve, but not the fixed Salt. Pour off the solution of Gold, and put to it about half as much as it is, of running *Mercury*, cover the Cucurbite with a plate of Iron luted to it, and set it to digest. It will grow black, then white, then yellow, and be fixed in a dry body. Put then to it more solution of Gold, such as that was which you did put the *Mercury* in, and digest as before, and it will coagulate it as above. So it will do as often as you shall put new solution of Gold to it. The covering the Cucurbite with a Plate of *Mars*, conduceth much to the coagulating of it, and to take away much of the acrimony of the medicine. Two or three grains is a fit dose of this Salt, in a convenient liquor for a Vehicle.

*An Excellent Panacea.*

Take *Sulphur* of *Antimony* one dram, *Regulus* of *Antimony* one dram, Oyl of *Tartar* or of *Vitriol* three ounces. Put all to digest in Horsedung eight days; then distil, and cohobate three times; then encrease the fire to the fourth degree during twelve hours, and it will be fixed; then break the Retort and take out the matter and grind it; then wash it in Rose-water, and dry it upon gray Paper; then put it into an earthen Porringer to reverberate it five hours.

Take of this Powder one ounce, Salt of Coral two ounces: mix it together. The dose is from fifteen grains to twenty, in some fit vehicle, as *Carduus Benedictus*.

This *Panacea* cureth all sorts of Diseases, particularly the Venereal disease, and the Plague, the Dropsie, the Palsie. If it cureth not the first time, take it se-

veral times. It cureth any Disease that requireth sweating, and exceedingly purifieth the blood, and is good for all Obstructions.

*Another Panacea.*

Take good *Vitriol*, dissolve and congeal it (with Spirit of *Vitriol*) nine or ten times, then rubifie it, and in several Retorts distil its noble Oyl, with which dissolve Crystal of Gold artificially prepared; then by digestion separate the *Terra damnati Auri*, and by Circulation bring the pure part to perfection. This can perform all that may be attributed to a true *Panacea*, against all sorts of Diseases, *Totumq; renovat hominem.*

*To make the Sulphur of Antimony.*

Take Cinnabar of *Antimony*, which is found at the neck of the Retort, when one maketh the Powder of *Algaroth*,



garoth, which boyl in a strong Lixivy, made of quick Lime and *Saltpeter*, the space of three hours, and the *Mercury* will separate it self running; philter this Lixivy, and let it settle, and the *Sulphur* will precipitate it self in red Powder. Dry this Powder, and wash it in hot Water.

*Another Panacea of Antimony.*

Take *Antimony*, reduce it to Powder, and imbibe it by little and little with good Oyl of *Vitriol*; then put it to digest in Sand fifteen dayes; then imbibe it again, and put it to the Sand again, and digest it fifteen days more with a moderate heat; then put it into a Retort, and with a strong fire make all the Spirit come over; then break the Retort and your *Panacea* will be fixed.

*Another Panacæa.*

Fulminize *Saltpeter* with Charcoals; then give it strong fire for two hours; then dissolve it in fair water; philter and evaporate to dryness; then give it strong fire for two or three hours more, till it become like green.

Take two parts of this *Saltpeter*, and one part of *Antimony* in Powder, put it in an earthen Pot, and put upon it a sufficient quantity of water, which being evaporated, give it a strong fire for two hours, then put your matter in water, and let it settle a night, and it will draw the tincture of *Antimony*, which you will find at the bottom; pour the water from it and dry your Powder. The dose is from ten to twenty grains. It purgeth gently by stools.

*Panacæa*

*Panacea Purgans ex Auro & Antimonio.*

Distil *Butirum Antimonii ex regulo*, with a true *Oleum Salis*, dissolve it in a very strong Spirit of *Saltpeter*, and in both one ounce of the purest Gold; then out of those solutions, precipitate a purple Powder. *Dosis est gran. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.*

*Diaphoretic. Crystalli Antimonii.*

Distil a Spirit and Oyl from *Vitriol* and Salt, wherein dissolve *Antimony* (in a months time) into a red matter, which distil and crystallize. *Dos. gran. 2. 3.*

*Laudanum Metallicum.*

Take *Mercury* sublimed red, from *Vitriol* and *Saltpeter*, there from calcin'd Allum, putrifie it with Spirit of

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Wine forty days ; then distil its Oyl, which unite with a subtile Calx *Solis*, and CrySTALLize it, which dissolve *per se* and congele, so do thrice. *Dos. gran. I.*

*A Medicinal Powder.*

It is to be done two severall ways ; for the one, sublime *Mercury* for it seven times ( beginning with the best Venice CrySTALLine *Mercury* ) revivifying it after every sublimation, and then subliming it again with new Sulphur and Salt. To six ounces of this purified *Mercury* revivified, put one ounce of leaf Gold, making an *Amalgame* after the ordinary manner of Goldsmiths, which wash with many waters, till no more blackness comes from it ; then ( being very well dried ) put it in a large Oven, and stop it but slightly with Cotton, and so digest it in Ashes or Sand, without ever stirring the Filol, till it be a red Precipitate (all but a very

very little, which will continue running *Mercury*) putting down with a Raker from time to time what shall sublime to the sides of the Glass ; (but without shaking it) but you must have a care not to give too great heat to sublime much, but to be still *in proxima dispositione ad sublimandum*. The *Mercury* thus prepared, grows presently hard with the Gold, soon after it is put to digest.

In the other way take a good *Mercury* distilled from *Cinnabar*, and make an *Amalgame* as above, with a sixth part of leaf Gold, and wash it very well ; then put it to digest in a little Bolthead for three or four days ; then take it out, and wash it very well from new blackness that will grow in it: When the water comes off clear, put it again to digest three or four days ; then wash as before, and more blackness will come away. Continue these sharp digestions and washings, till no more blackness come away with washing,

ing, but your *Amalgame* is in a permanence of whiteness and clearness, which will take up five or six or seven months, to bring it to that pass. Then put it to digest, as is said above. It will be five or six or seven months after your washings before the *Mercury* precipitate, be compleatly made, more or less, according as you govern the fire dexterously. Now the first washings ( in the first method ) before the *Amalgame* come to be clear without blackness, will take up six or seven months ; so that it will be fifteen or sixteen months before the work be compleatly finished that way : and six or seven the other way. After the *Mercury* precipitate is made , continue it some time in the fire ( encreased as much as you may without danger of subliming or revivifying the *Mercury* ) to accustom it to greater heat, and to dispose it a little to some degree of fixation, or at least of less volatility or churlishness, and violence in  
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Salivation : and that it may stay the longer in the body to work otherwise more radically, when the wild Spirits are a little tamed.

*A great Medicine which hath done wonderful great Effects, from an intimate Friend.*

Dissolve six drams of silver in *Aqua-fortis* (the purest and best *Aqua-fortis* that can be had) using no more *Aqua-fortis* then is just necessary for the solution (which will be about one ounce and half, *i.e.* two parts to one) When you see that it is all perfectly dissolved (without fire) cast into the *Matras* an *Amalgame* made (after the ordinary manner of Goldsmiths) of one dram of pure Gold, and two ounces of *Mercury*; you will presently see a *Pelagus conturbationis* made. Let the *Matras* stand still upon a Table, or in some corner, till you find the matter at that pass you desire. You will see many beautifl



beautiful colours appear. After forty days standing, you will see a kind of roughness appear upon the superficies of the *Mercury*, which will dayly grow and sprout out more. In twenty days more (sixty in all) it will be shot out into little spears or needles and twigs. When you see it groweth or shooteth out no more, pour off all the liquor, and the Mercurial matter will soon dry of it self. Then with some little piece of Glass break of these excessencies or needles from the mass, (whereof you may have about one dram or better) and grind them to Powder, which will be very white. Of this give 24 grains, or more (according to the complexion) in a Cherry, or yolk of an Egge. In the morning very early, or at night going to bed, or rather after the first sleep at three or four in the morning, and in this last case, sleep after it. It is seven or eight hours before it useth to work.

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Sometimes the first dose will not work at all, otherwise then by strengthening, and then he giveth a second dose two or three days after; which will work either by Stool or Vomit or Sweat, as nature shall require, and in due proportion.

It cureth all Quartains and other Agues, and worketh admirably in all desperate Diseases. He used to take it once a month. When there is no peccant humor in the body, it worketh not by evacuation, but strengtheneth. The *Mercury* encloseth and shutteth up the metals, like a Rose of *Fericho*, from whence he calleth it *Sigillum Hermetis*. The part of the Needles next the Mass, worketh rougher then the ends. Out of the Mass you may draw most of the Gold and Silver with loss of about an eighth part of the first, and less proportion of the Silver. He thinketh this to be a Philosophical *Mercury*, and to be useful in the great work.

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One hath made a work of projection with Gold or Silver and *Mercury*, amalgamated with *Antimony*, that hath been impregnated by the Universal Spirit cast into it from the Sun-beams by a Burning-glass, which encreaseth the weight of it, though in calcining of it, much of its humidity do evaporate away.

*A Menstruum of Citron Pills to dissolve Bodies of Metal and Coral.*

Provide sufficient of the thin rinds of Citron Pills, the yellow part only, that gives the Oyl. Expose them (freshly cut) in Glass or Porcellane Plates (being very thin) to the open dew, setting them out about midnight, and taking them away an hour or two before Sun rise. Distil the Oyl of these rinds thus impregnated with dew. You will find it much more active and yet more benign, then if it were not rectified. You may reiterate this course with new chips

chips, as often as you please, during the season of the dew ; so to have what quantity you will of this Spirit.

*A Menstruum to open any Body, but chiefly the Body of Gold.*

Take Salt of *Tartar* and *Salpeter ana*, grind them very well together ; then set them in a moist place to dissolve. When they are dissolved, put them in digestion in a Bolts-head for three weeks, in a gentle heat. Then take out the liquor, and evaporate it till it be dry ; then mix it with three parts of *Bolus Armenus*, and distil it in an earthen Retort, first with a soft fire, then with a strong : Have a great care that no Spirits break out, for they are very subtile. When all is come over, put it into a Glass Retort, and rectifie it in Sand. Then you will have a mighty subtile Spirit, which will dissolve almost any metal, and it will draw a tincture out of Calx of Gold. It hath  
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a pleasant Smell and taste. All the Salt of *Tartar* will come over with the *Saltpeter*.

*To make the Spirit of fixed Salt of Urine.*

Take one pound of that Salt, and six pound of a good Earth to distil such Spirits with all, finely searsed, and well mixed together. Distil in a Retort as you would do an *Aqua fortis*, you shall have but a weak Spirit. Put the *Caput mortuum* to celisie in open air; and take another pound of like Salt, and dissolve it into a liquor or brine also in the air. Pour one pound of this brine, upon the celified and moistened *Caput mortuum* and distil *per gradus*, and you shall have a pound of a most Excellent strong Spirit of this Salt, which needeth not deslegming. There will sublime up a white volatile Salt into the neck of the Retort and a good way in the Receiver. Take this  
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carefully out, and set it to resolve in the open air ; and it will become a deep red Oyl. With this write upon a lamin of Gold or Copper, and it will make white lines as if it were *Mercury*. It will eat into the *Venus* as *Aqua-fortis* ; or as if it were graved in : but not into Gold ; only it will there leave white lines.

If after this distillation you celifie the *Caput mortuum* again, and put upon it an other Brine as before ; the Spirit will no more be strong, but very weak.

The first good Spirit of this Salt which is made of the first Brine and the first celified *Caput mortuum*, is an excellent medicine for the Stone and Gravel ; all Obstructions, and all things that the Spirit of Salt is good for ; but much better.

This Spirit drawn from *Oculi Cancrorum*, is yet much better for the Stone.

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*A Remedy which Cureth all Fevers without exception by a Lunarie Emetick, which is an Universal Medicine, even for the Morb. Gallic. and Leprosie.*

Dissolve Silver in *Aqua-fortis* made of *Vitriol* and *Saltpeter*, and precipitate it with Spirit of Salt, then dry the Calx.

Take of this Calx and *Antimony* ana, distil it as a Butter of *Antimony*, and you shall have a Butter white and transparent, which will dissolve Gold. Precipitate one part of this Butter with common water, Edulcorate with blood warm water, and you will have an Emetick Remedy, which will purge and cure all sorts of Fevers, and is a *Catholicum* for ill humors; the Dose is from one grain to three in some fit thing, and stay four or five hours after it before you eat or drink.



*To make an Admirable Sudorifick of this,  
that will cure the Venereal Disease,  
and the Leprosie, is thus :*

Take the other part of this Butter,  
and put upon it some Spirit of *Salt-  
peter*, cohobating three or four times ;  
then wash it with Water, and burn  
some Spirit of Wine upon it ; and you  
shall have a sudorifick, which will do  
admirable Effects, taking from eight  
grains to sixteen : And after the sweat-  
ing you must well rub over the whole  
body with warm cloths ; observing  
a reasonable diet, and some Purge be-  
fore : as also the use of some fit De-  
coction.

*An Excellent Dissolvent of Gold, and to  
reduce it in Purpre colour.*

Take *Aqua-fortis* one part, common  
water two parts. In which dissolve *Sa-  
turn*. Precipitate the clear with Salt

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water, and edulcorate the Calx.

In the mean time make Calx of *Jupiter* only by fire ; mix these two Calx *ana*, and distil in a Retort as you do Butter of *Antimony* ; and you shall have the Butter of *Jupiter* and *Saturn*, which dissolveth Gold without noise or corrosion.

If you dissolve Gold in *Aqua Regis*, or in Spirit of Salt, and precipitate it with this Butter ; it will precipitate in Purper colour.

*Spirit of Verdegriſ.*

Distil a Spirit from *Verdegriſ*. Rectifie it once by it self, it will leave some ſæces and Metalline *terrestreity* behind.

Take one part of this Spirit, and three of fair water ; put it upon Litharge finely ſearſed, as much as it will dissolve. Deſlegm it in *Balneo*, and then a pure and powerful Spirit will come over in Sand, without acrimo-

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ny, and tasting a little sweetish, as in the making of *Saccharum Saturni*. It is excellent for Convulsions of little children, in some fit vehicle; a drop or two for sucking Infants: but to men you may give ten or twenty drops. It is very good for the Epileptic, Colick, Spleen, &c.

*Quere* of using this Spirit of *Venus*, to extract the tincture of *Vitrum Antimonii*, from whence extract it afterwards with Spirit of Wine. Note that in making that extract, the Spirit of Wine will hardly tinge it self with the extract made with this Spirit, or with distilled Vinegar, if you evaporate that *Menstruum* to dryness; but if you leave it moist, then it presently tingeth it self, and leaveth the Salt and precedent *Menstruum*, without any tincture of the *Antimony*.

If you dissolve the pure part of *Verdegris* in distilled Vinegar, philter and congeal, as *Zuelfer* teacheth; then dissolve again in new distilled Vinegar,

and work all as before. This repeat three or four times; so to have your *Verdegris* perfectly pure, before you draw the Spirit from it. *Quere* of dissolving it in rain water rather than in distilled Vinegar.

*To Corporifie the Salt of Spirit of Wine,  
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Take the best and purest old Wine, distil the pure Spirit from it; then distil away all the flegm, till there remain a black viscous substance. Take this black viscous substance; and put the Spirit of Wine upon it, so much as to dissolve it all. Digest it five or six or 7 days, then distil; first in *Balneo*, till the Spirit come away; then distil this in Sand, to dryness, and there will come away a white milky Oyl or Spirit (which *Lully* calls *Aqua secunda*) receive this by it self, and keep it carefully. Upon the dry *Caput mortuum* put a good quantity of Spirit of Wine

Wine to dissolve it all, & digest it seven or eight days ; then distil as before, and keep the milky liquor or *Aqua secunda* with the former. Repeat these distillations still with new, or the same Spirit of Wine poured upon the Earth, and digested ; then distill it till there come no more milky liquor, and the Earth be dry and in Powder. Then reverberate the dry Earth twenty four hours between two Crucibles or Pots, to make it exceeding dry. Then imbibe it with a tenth part of the *Aqua secunda*, and digest it two or three days ; then distil it in *Balneo*, and the liquor will come off insipid, leaving all his vertue in the Earth. Add new *Aqua secunda* to it, and do as before, repeating this till you have imbibed all your *Aqua secunda* into the Earth. Then take a seventh part of pure Spirit of Wine, and imbibe the Earth with it ; and digest it two or three days ; then distil it in *Balneo*, and the liquor will come off

like flegm. Then imbibe the Earth with a sixth part of the Spirit of Wine, and do as before; then with a fifth, then with a fourth part; all which proportion continue, repeating the Imbibations with the fourth part till the Earth will take no more, but that the Spirit of Wine comes off as strong as you did put it on. Then put this impregnated Earth to sublime for twenty four hours, or more; at the last, making the Vessel red hot, a pure white Salt will sublime up, which is the Salt of the Spirit of Wine. All is not yet gone out of the Earth; therefore you may repeat the Imbibations with new Spirit of Wine, till the Earth will take no more in. Then sublime as before new Salt. Repeat all this till the Earth will corporifie no more Spirit of Wine; and then it is an Earth *damnata*. Take all the sublimed Salts, and put upon them three times as much pure Spirit of Wine, and distil them over together. This is *Lully's* great

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great *Menstruum*; and dissolveth radically all metals, even Gold: and draweth the Essential tinctures of them all. After you have drawn the tincture of Gold with this, boyl the remaining body sometime in Spirit of Urine, and it will resolve into running *Mercury*.

To have a less *Menstruum*, that will draw out the Tincture of Vegetables exceeding well, you may take the Earth after it is impregnated with the *Aqua secunda*, and the Spirit of Wine, as much as it will take in, and before you sublime any Salt from it, being in that state, pour upon it three times as much as it is, of pure Spirit of Wine, and digest them two or three days together; and the Spirit of Wine will dissolve all the Volatile Salt that is in the Earth. Dicant it off clear, and use this *Menstruum*.

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*To Volatilize the fixed Salt of Tartar.*

Calcine it in a close Vessel to blackness (for if all the *Sulphur* be driven away, it will not do) Then put upon it a pure Spirit of Wine, and after some digestion distil it off. Cohobate the same Spirit of Wine upon the calcined *Tartar*, and do all as before. Repeat this till you find that the Spirit of Wine be exceeding sharp, and have carried over with it all the Salt of the *Tartar*.

*Another way to Volatilize the Salt of Tartar.*

Take Salt of *Tartar* very white, dissolve it in distilled Vinegar; philter it, and then evaporate to a *Pellicule*, put to it twice as much of white Sand; then reverberate it together twelve hours in an Earthen Vessel, not glazed. Take this Salt reverberated with the Sand,

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Sand, and dissolve it again in distilled Vinegar, philter, evaporate, reverberate, and dissolve, so often till the Salt of *Tartar* be as white as Snow. Take this Salt, and dissolve it again in distilled Vinegar, evaporate in *Balneo*, dissolve again, repeating till the distilled Vinegar become acere or sharp; then dry the Salt gently. Then take this Salt, and put upon it its weight of well rectified Spirit of Wine, digest and distil it gently; then put new Spirit of Wine upon it; and repeat this so often, till the Spirit of Wine come from it as strong as it is put on; then evaporate it gently in a Retort: Then sublime by degrees of fire; take the sublimed Salt, (which is the Volatile Salt of *Tartar*) and keep it carefully in a Glass. It will dissolve Gold and all metals.

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*An Excellent Mercury Vitæ of a singular Preparation.*

Take Mineral *Antimony* very clean six ounces, that hath never been melted, and as much of good *salpeter*, grind them to subtile Powder, then mix them together, and put them in a Crucible, and cover it with another Crucible that hath a hole in the bottom, Calcine it with a wheel fire by degrees; when you see that it fume no more through the hole, take it out and grind it very small. Then take three Ducats of Gold, and six times as much of this Powder; put the Powder first in a Crucible, and melt it; then put in one of your Ducats, and stir it with a stick till it be melted; and then put in the other two one after another; and when they are all melted; leave it yet a while in the fire. Then take it out, and when it is cold, beat it into fine Powder, and searse it.

it. Then put to it its weight of *Mercury* sub'imate in subtile Powder, mix them well together, and put them in a Retort well luted, then put it in a Furnace, and put a Receiver to it filled with common water, so that the end of the Retort lie in the water; but you must not lute the Joynts: Increase the fire by degrees, and the matter will distil into the water; but the most part of it will stick about the neck of the Retort, which you may draw forth and make it fall into the Receiver; when you see that nothing more come over by force of fire, let it cool, break the Retort, and take out the matter that sticketh about the neck, and likewise that which is in the water. Keep the water, for it is exceeding good to cure all sorts of Ulcers. Pour clean water upon the matter which was settled in the Receiver, and shake it sometimes; then let it settle; then pour off the water, and put fresh upon it: Repeat this seven or eight times.

times. Then separate the *Mercury* from it, and put warm water upon the Powder, and let it stand till the next day; then repeat the lotion as the day before. Continue this six days; on the seventh day, wash the Powder with fresh cold Water, and let it settle: pour off the water, and dry the Powder, which keep for your use. The dose is from one grain to two for little children: but for persons of age seven or eight grains. It will cause a gentle Vomitting, and worketh likewise by Stools. It hath done miracles in Feavers, and in the Venereal Disease, and of the Gowt. You will find in the *Caput mortuum* the greatest part of the Gold.

This *Mercury vita* is not white like the ordinary, but of a brownish gray. It appears by this to have some of the *Mercury* in it, that if you rub Gold or *Venus* with the powder, it will make it white, which common *Mercury vita* will not do.

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If you take the remaining Salt, after you have distilled the water *Athletica* of *Salpeter* and *Sal Armoniac*, and distil that by strong fire as you do *Aqua-fortis*; the water that cometh so, will carry Gold over the helm, much more powerfully then the water that cometh first, and which ordinarily is used.

*A great Coroborant.*

Make an *Amalgame* of Gold and *Mercury* in due manner; which grind well with flowres of *Sulphur*, and set it upon Coals, and so make Calx of Gold, *Ut artis est*. Repeat this Calcination two or three times. Then take your Calx of Gold, and grind it exceeding well with twice as much pure decrepitated Salt; put these into a Crucible, which cover well, and set it to cement, or reverberate during six hours (or more) in a Furnace, where the heat may be encreased

fed by degrees, so that in due time the Crucible become red. Continue so a pretty time; but have a care the Salt melt not. When it is cold, take out the matter and grind it well, and pour hot water upon it to dissolve the Salt, and philter it off, and pour on more water, doing so till you have severed all the Salt from the Gold (as also a white earthy substance that will swim upon the water) then dry the Gold: which grind again with double its quantity of prepared Salt (the same Salt will serve again when the water is distilled from it) and cement it, and work all as before, having a care always that the Gold settle well to the bottom, after you have stirred it in the water. Repeat this six or eight times (the more the better) till the Gold become to be all gray or white powder. Then cement it with double its quantity of pure Salt of *Tartar*, in the same manner as you did with the Salt, and do all

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as before. Repeat this two or three or four times, dulcifying it every time very well from the Salt. Then put upon it (being very dry) the *Menstruum* of Spirit of Urine mentioned here after, and it will be tinged bloud red in twenty four hours: pour off that, and put on more, till you have drawn out all the tincture: which distil in a Cucurbite with a very gentle fire, till it become a gum; of which put one dram into a pint of Sack, and give a spoonful for a Dose. It is a mighty Corroborant; as also sudorifick, where Nature requireth it. It will make one sweat 24 hours. The *Menstruum* is thus made: Take pure Spirit of Wine, and pure Spirit of Urine *ana*: Put them together into a long Cucurbite with a narrow mouth, on which put a head fitting it in the Orifice, and so distil of this Spirit of Wine with a very gentle heat; there will remain a flegmatick liquor in the bottom. Cohobate the same Spirit upon it till there  
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remain only perfect flegm in the bottom, and that all the Spirits and volatile Salt of the Urine be in the Spirit of Wine. This is a great *Dissolvent*, and *Alcahest*; but it will be stronger if you work it again with new Spirit of Urine; and so you may make it as strong as you will.

*An Excellent Aurum Potabile, or Digestif Gold.*

Take purified *Salpeter* one pound, melt it in a Crucible or a Pot; when it is melted, cast into it a Pugil full of Powder of Charcoal: When it hath ceased sparkling, cast in more Powder of Coal. Do thus till it be quite fixed and sparkle no more; which may require two hours time, and five or six ounces of Coal dust. Then (being cold) beat it to Powder, and set it to dissolve in a Cellar; which philter, and keep it to dissolve precipitated Gold. Then dissolve fine  
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Gold in *Aqua Regis* ; and pour into the solution some of the liquified *Salpeter* ; and dropping in still more till the Gold be precipitated , let it stand so three or four hours in a gentle warmth. Then pour upon the whole matter five or six fingers breadth-high of rain water philtered ; let it stand to digest eight or ten hours in gentle warmth , as of Ashes ; then pour it off, and evaporate away the rest to dryness : but still with gentle heat. Then pour more rain water upon the Gold, and do as before. This repeat four or five times, which openeth the Gold much. Then put upon the dried Gold a weak or phlegmatick *Aqua-vita*, five or six fingers above it, and let it stand to digest five or six hours, warming it well, else it will not dissolve the Salts : but being very hot, all the Salts will dissolve in it. Then pour it off, and pour on new *Aqua-vita*, and do as before. Repeat this till the Gold be perfectly dulcified,

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fied, which may be in five or six times :  
 Then dry the Powder, and it is perfect.  
 Then grind this Powder with double  
 his weight of Sugar-candy, and put  
 some Spirit of Wine upon it (not a  
 pure one, for then it will not leave a  
 Syrup) which set on fire to burn away,  
 and it will leave an Oyl or Syrup  
 behind. Of which give so much as  
 containeth two or three grains of the  
 Powder of Gold, be it half a spoon-  
 ful, or a whole one, according to the  
 proportion of Sugar-candy and re-  
 mainder of *Aqua-vitæ*.

It is excellent in Hepatick Flixes,  
 and is a very great Cordial, and a So-  
 veraign medicine. Then mingle all the  
*Aqua-vitæ*s that you have poured off:  
 The Salts will settle to the bottom ;  
 and the *Saltpetre* will shoot in long  
 yellow Crystals. This water is excel-  
 lent against the shaking of Hands or  
 Feet, bathing them with it so warm  
 that the Salt may be dissolved in it.

*Another way to make Aurum Potabile.*

Grind Gold with *Saltpeter*, Salt and Alum, as *Zuelfer* teacheth; and then boyl it in common water, and evaporate to dryness. Then put pure Spirit of Wine upon it, and digest the Spirit, it will be tinted of a Gold tincture; pour it off, and put on fresh, and do as before. Repeat this till the Spirit of Wine hath extracted all the tincture of Gold. Then put the Spirits together, and distil it very gently till the matter remain like a Syrup; upon which put three times his weight of Spirit of Honey: precipitate it with Spirit of Urine; and the Gold will fall to the bottom like a greenish brown matter, which will remain in the philter. Let the philter'd liquor stand to settle ten or twelve days, and there will precipitate more matter yet; but not so green nor so

brown as before ; which separate by  
 philtration. Repeat this till there  
 precipitate no more Gold. Every time  
 that which precipitateth, will be more  
 subtile. Then wash the Precipitations  
 with distilled water, till it be well  
 dulcified. Then put upon it a *Men-  
 struum* of Spirit of Wine acuated with  
 Spirit of Salt of Urine ; and (cold) it  
 will draw out a tincture of a red  
 brown in twenty four hours ; pour  
 off this *Menstruum*, and put on a fresh  
 one. Repeat this till it be no more  
 tinted. Even in the heat of *Balneo  
 Mariae*, distil the tinted Spirit till it  
 remain like a moist gum ; at the end  
 of the Distillation, there will come o-  
 ver some flegm, which receive by it  
 self. And if then you give too strong  
 heat, there will come over some tin-  
 cture with this flegm (for if you dry  
 it too much, it will not well dissolve  
 in the Spirit of Wine.) Take of this  
 gum one dram, put to it one ounce  
 of Spirit of Wine, and a pint of good  
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Sack, Philter it through a gray Paper, of which give one ounce for a dose.

To loose nothing of your Gold, take the remaing Corps, after the *Menstruum* hath extracted all the tincture, and begin again the whole operation with it in the same manner as you did with the new Gold. *Nota*, That at every time you draw the tincture with the *Menstruum*, the first time that you put it on, after having dulcified the Precipitation, the Spirit of Wine will draw the tincture cold: but after you have poured off the Extraction, and that you put fresh *Menstruum* on, you must digest it in *Balneo*.

*Another way to make Aurum Potabile.*

Take *Saltpeter* ten ounces, Salt eight ounces, Salt of Urine five ounces; grind them well together, then mix them with half an ounce of subtile

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Calx of Gold. Then put upon it about three pound of common water; boyl it till the water be evaporated. There will remain a Plate of yellow Salt, which grind very well; and put pure Spirit of Wine upon it to five or six fingers breadth above it. It will be tinged yellow. Digest it with gentle warmth, till it tinge it self no more, which may be in eight or ten days. Then pour off the tinged Spirit of Wine; and put on fresh Spirit of Wine, and digest as before. Repeat these extractions till you see that the Spirit of Wine tinge it self no more. Then take the tinged Spirit of Wine, and distil it with very gentle heat in *Balneo*, till there remain but seven ounces, which will be more red then yellow. Upon these seven ounces pour twenty one ounces of good Spirit of Honey; which will make a Precipitation of the Gold; but not of all the Gold. When you see that there Precipitate no more of the Gold, pour off all the

the liquor; and dry the precipitated Gold (which will be of a brownish green) in a philter of gray Paper in the shadow. But to Precipitate the remaining Gold that is yet in the liquor, put into it eight or ten ounces of good Spirit of Urine, and the Gold will be precipitated in the same manner as before; but more subtile. Repeat this till it Precipitate no more. Then pour off the clear, and dry the Precipitate as before. Then take three or four pound of a *Menstruum* made of pure Spirit of Wine and Urine, that have been entirely coagulated together (of each equal parts); and then distilled in liquid Spirit; and put it upon the Powder, and let it stand (cold) to digest eight or ten days, shaking it well together sometimes; and it will be of a yellow colour. Pour it off, and distil it in *Balneo* in a Retort, till there remain in the Retort about two ounces. Take it out of the *Balneo*, and when it is cold, put  
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eight ounces of Spirit of Honey to it, and distil it gently in *Balneo*, till the Spirit begin to come over yellowish, and that which remaineth in the Retort be as red as a Ruby, which put into a Fiol ; and that is an *Aurum Potabile*. Put the liquor that is distilled from it (before you put Spirit of Honey to it) upon that which remaineth after the first Extraction made by the same liquor ; and it will make a new Extraction, but not so high of colour as the first. Which pour off, and distil it to two ounces : then put the Spirit of Honey upon it that hath served once, and hath been distilled from it, and distil it till it be of a deep red, as the first time. Repeat this till you have extracted all the tincture of Gold that was in greenish brown Powder. And if you see that the *Menstruum* groweth weak by these Distillations, add a little new Spirit of Urine to it.

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Another way to make Aurum Potabile.

Take one ounce of Gold, dissolve it in eight ounces of the *Aqua Regis* set down hereafter ; then pour upon it a quart of common water ; and then pour upon it by little and little two or three quarts of a *Lixivium* made of common water and *Tartar*, which will Precipitate the Gold ; Continue pouring till you see the ebullition cease : then let it stand till you see all the Gold precipitated ; then pour off the water, and put on fresh. Repeat this till it be well dulcified ; then filter it, and let it dry of it self without fire ; then put it in a white Porringer, and pour upon it by little and little, and by divers times, two ounces of the Oyl of Vitriol mentioned hereafter ; and presently it will begin to boyl, and all will become as black as Ink. Let it stand three or four days, during which

which time it will work continually upon the Gold, which you shall perceive by the little ebullitions. Then pour upon it by little and little four or five gallons of common water, which will be of a Violet colour, and will carry with it all the Gold; which put into a large Vessel, and let it stand to settle; within two days the Gold will appear like spongy Atomes; and when it is well precipitated, pour off the water, and put on fresh. Repeat this three or four times, then dry the matter gently in Sand. Then pour upon it distilled Vinegar four fingers breadth over it, and digest the distilled Vinegar, it will extract all the remaining Oyl of *Vitriol* and *Tartar*; then pour it off, and dry the Powder: Then put it in a Crucible, and dry it again by a moderate fire. Then put it in a *Matras*, and pour upon it eight ounces of good Spirit of Salt, digest it in hot Ashes till it be tinged of a high Gold colour; then

then pour it off, and put on fresh. Repeat this till the Spirit hath drawn out all the tincture. Then put it into a Cucurbite, and distill it to a consistence of Honey, Cohobating the distilled Spirit six or seven times, and the last time distill to dryness. Then put upon the Gold eight ounces of Spirit of Saturn, digest it twenty four hours, or more, and it will extract all the tincture of the Gold. This may be used so alone, taking some drops of it in some fit vehicle. But you may make it more efficacious in mixing it with the tincture of Bezoar, of Coral, of Pearls, and of Ambergris, made as followeth.

Dissolve Pearls and Coral in distilled Vinegar, then evaporate away the liquor, and put upon the remaining matter some *Aqua-vita* acuated with the fourth part of Spirit of Salt: Digest it, and then pour off the tinted liquor, which evaporate; then take the remaining extract and

and dissolve it in as much of *Carduus Benedictus* water.

*To make the Tincture of Bezoar.*

Grind Bezoar, and put upon it pure *Aqua-vita* impregnated with Spirit of Salt, it will be tinted of a deep red: then pour it off, and put more on: Repeat this till you have drawn out all the tincture of it, evaporate the *Menstruum*, and dissolve the extract in Rose and *Carduus Benedictus* water.

*To make the Tincture of Ambergris.*

Take *Ambergris*, and put upon it good Spirit of Wine, or Spirit of Honey; digest it in the heat of the Sun, or with a gentle heat in Ashes.

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To make the Aqua Regis for this Aurum Potabile.

Take one ounce of decrepitated, dissolved and coagulated Salt, distil it with eight ounces of Spirit of Nitre.

To make the Philosophical Oyl of Vitriol for the foresaid Aurum Potabile.

Take eight ounces of good *Jupiter*, melt in a Crucible, and whiles it is in fusion; put into it eight ounces of *Antimony*, and presently put it in a Stone Mortar, and grind it very small. Then take one pound of good *Venice* sublimate, and grind it well with the first *Amalgame*, till it turn black, and greasie sticking to the Pestil. When you have reduced it to a black liquor; put it into a white Porringer, and set it in a moist place; and the Oyl will swim upon the liquor: which

which take off gently, and put it into a Fiol, and let it settle. *Nota*, that to make this Oyl well, it must be done in moist or rainy weather, or in a Cellar.

*Another way to make Aurum Potabile, and to make his Tincture come over the Helm.*

Take of most pure Gold one ounce, of *Mercury* well cleansed four ounces, of which make an *Amalgame*; then grind it with three times as much flowers of *Sulphur*; then put it in a *Scargel* on a gentle fire, kindling the *Sulphur* to make it burn, and to evaporate the *Mercury*. Then take more *Mercury* and *Sulphur*, and *Amalgame*, and do all as before. Repeat this five or six times; but always observe that your *Sulphur* burn not with over great fire. Then take this *Calx* of Gold, and pour upon it pure rectified Spirit of Wine; put it into Earthen dishes,

ashes, and with flame of dry wood reverberate it twenty four hours; then imbibe it in fresh Spirit of Wine, and do all as before. Repeat this six or seven times, and you shall see the Gold increase or grow so spongy, that an ounce thereof will fill almost half a pint Pot. Then put to this Gold thrice the weight of Oyl of *Tartar*; digest them together the space of three days in gentle heat: then dry it, and put it in a Vessel close stopped, which put into the fire, and make it red hot: Then (being cold) lay it on a Marble-stone, and it will dissolve into a red Oyl; evaporate the flegm, and then put it into a large Bolthead, and put upon it the Spirit of Wine afterwards taught: Digest it in *Balneo Mariae* seven days; then take it out of the *Balneo Mariae*, and set it in hot Ashes for seven days more, and the Spirit will be tinged as red as a Ruby; which pour off, and put on fresh Spirit of Wine, and do as be-

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fore : Repeat this till it tinge no more. Then take all these tinctures together, and put it into a Circulatory, and circulate it ten or 15 days in *Balneo*. Then distil off the Spirit of Wine, and pour on fresh Spirit of Wine, and distil it off as before very gently in *Balneo*. Repeat this distillation ten or twelve times, and the Oyl of Gold will remain in the bottom : Then pour upon this Oyl of Gold more fresh Spirit of Wine, and distil it off to dryness, and the Spirit will carry the Gold over with it in a tincture. Which circulate again in a gentle *Balneo* ; and it will again be precipitated into a thick oyly substance, from which distil all the flegm gently in *Balneo* ; and the most subtile tincture of Gold, or *Aurum Potabile*, will remain in the bottom ; of which give five or six drops in a spoonful of some fit Vehicle for a Dose.

*To Prepare the Spirit of wine for the  
foresaid Aurum Potabile.*

Distil a Spirit of good Canary Sack,  
which rectifie so often till it burn all  
away in a Spoon: Then circulate it  
the space of twelve days: Then eva-  
porate the remaining faces of this Spi-  
rit to a thickish substance, which put  
in a Cellar for five or six days, and you  
shall find in the bottom a *Tartarous*  
Salt; which Calcine in a Reverbera-  
tory till it be white: Then put a  
pound of the said circulated Spirit of  
Wine upon one ounce of this Salt, and  
circulate it the space of eight days:  
then distil it, and put to the distilled  
Spirit the foresaid Calx of Gold, and  
use it as above taught: You may also  
take the *Tartarous* Salt, and calcine it  
in a Bolts-head till it be white; then  
take four ounces of it, and pour upon  
it a fourth part of the circulated Spi-  
rit; then distil it off, and pour on

more Spirit, and distil as before. Repeat this so often till it double his weight: Then grind it to most subtile Powder; and then sublime it in a glazed Vessel the space of twenty four hours, and there will be sublimed up a shining matter like Oriental Pearls. Then take of this Sublimation one ounce and dissolve it in your circulated Spirit in *Balneo*. Then pour that Solution upon your Calx of Gold: And this is the true dissolving radicate Spirit or *Menstruum*, known to few, and a secret able to perform great matters.

*To make an Excellent Oyl of Pearl for Health, and for the Face.*

Take Pearls in Powder, and pour upon them distilled Vinegar; digest it in *Balneo*, till you see the Pearls be all dissolved. Then evaporate it with gentle heat; then edulcorate the substance of Pearls several times in fair water,  
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till the water come from it insipid: Then wash the matter once or twice with Rose-water; then pour upon it distilled *May-dew* or fresh *May-dew* only philtered; then distil it; but let it boyl strongly in the time of Distillation, and you will find in the Receiver the Water and Oyl, which separate. You may also putrifie the materated Pearls with Spirit of Wine in Horse-dung nine or ten days, or longer, after you have washed the matter; then separate the Spirit that must be separated: then distil with the same dew as a foresaid.

*An Excellent Tincture of Gold.*

Calcine Gold with the three Salts boyled with it in water; in such sort as *Zuelfer* teacheth: When the water is evaporated away, and that you have an Aureal Salt, grind it with double its weight of flowers of *Sulphur*, then put it into a Crucible, and burn it a-



way in a Reverberatory Furnace: Take out the Calx of Gold, and grind it again with new flowers of *Salphur*, and burn, and Reverberate again: Repeat this burning with *Salphur*, twelve times, and reverberate it well at last; then put a well rectified Spirit of Wine upon it, and digest them together, and the Spirit of Wine will be tinged very yellow. Of which few drops for a dose in a fit Vehicle, hath wrought great effects.

*A Sublimate Mercury dulcis, with a Lunary Mercury, and from Gold.*

Make a good *Amalgame* (after the manner of Goldsmiths) with Silver and pure *Mercury*, making the *Mercury* take as much Silver as conveniently you can, to have your *Amalgame* of a good, butyraceous, soft, and smooth consistence: Grind this *Amalgame* very well; Then grind it very well again with so much corrosive

five *Mercury* sublimate, that there be eight parts of *Mercury* sublimate to six parts of running *Mercury* that is in the *Amalgame*, and sublime then as to make *Mercury dulcis*: It will rise in a different manner from ordinary sublimate *Mercury dulcis*, for there will be much *Mercury* gotten up, appearing drops, and above three fourth parts of the Silver will be sublimed up, and the remaining one fourth part of Silver, laying in the bottom of the Sublimatory, will be a *Luna Cornea*, (which you may reduce by melting it with *Regulus* of *Antimony*, and then burn away the *Regulus* with *Nitre*, and your Silver will remain perfectly pure) that which is risen up in sublimate will be very tender and soft; which you must wash often with warm water, and it will be revived into quick *Mercury*, excepting a very little drossie earth, so that you shall have by the Conversion of Silver into *Mercury*, more running *Mercury* then

you put in at first, taking both running *Mercury*, and the *Mercury* that was in the *Mercury* sublimate. Now this *Lunary Mercury* you are to amalgamate with Gold as you did before with *Luna*, and then ground this *Solary Amalgame* with his proportion of corrosive *Mercury* sublimate, as you did before with the *Lunary Amalgame*, and sublime it into a *Mercury dulcis*, which will become more hard and firm then the former, and no running *Mercury* with it. This proved an excellent *Mercury dulcis* sublimate, and did not salivate, but was diaphoretick. The Gold did not diminish of his weight; and consequently, none rose with the *Mercury* sublimate, but it communicated his Vertues unto it.

more with it, which will be divided into three parts, one part will be reserved for the use of the Gold, and the other two parts will be reserved for the use of the Silver. An

An Excellent Physical Salt, which is very Efficacious in all Fevers, either Simple or Malignant any ways, or spotted; In the Small-Pox or Measles, in all the progress of them, from before their coming out till the end, and preserveth the heart from hot and putrid fumes, and purifieth the blood.

Take Nitre, Sulphur, ana one pound; Camphora 2 ounces, mingle them well together, and cast them by little and little into an Earthen Cucurbite red hot, which shut close immediately with a just stopper of Brick that closeth it firmly; the Cucurbite must have two arms, unto which are fastened two Ballons of Glass, containing (each) about two quarts of Spirit of Urine (to the quantity of Ingredients here named) which draweth unto it the Spirits which will fly up and pass by the two arms on each side. When all is cold, take out the fixed matter that remains

remains in the Cucurbite, and grind it small, and dissolve it in simple Spirit of Urine, and when that is filtered and congealed, dissolve it in the acid Spirit of Urine, that was in the Ballons, and hath the Spirit of *Nitre & Sulphur* and *Camphire* in it; and distil and Cohobate this, till the Salt have retained in it all the Spirits that were in the Urine; which will be very grateful, and not tast or smell at all of the Camphire, nor is *Saturnine* or *Antivenereal* in its effect: and of this dissolve thirty or forty grains (at discretion) in about ~~and~~, two ounces of Rose and Plantin-water, and a pint or two of fair water (in fine, so much Salt as to make the water grateful acid) and of this let the Patient drink three or four times a day, and when he is thirsty. It hath presently killed the Fever in persons ready to dye of it.

*The way to make the Spirit of Urine is thus:*

Let the Urine stand eight or ten days,

days, in which time it will putrefie and ferment. Then distil very gently; and that which cometh first, is the Spirit. When it beginneth to come weak and insipid, (which you will know by tasting a drop) then cease, for all that is good, is passed over. Thus you shall have neer half your quantity of Urine in good Spirit.

*The best way to make the Oil of Myrrhe.*

Have a moderately low Cucurbite of Copper, (for, Earth will imbibe the Spirits of Myrrhe) in the midst of which have a circle of Wyre fastened to the sides by Grampons, that may suspend in the air a Glass like a large drinking Glass without a foot. To the Cucurbite have a large chap of Glass with a Nose or Limbeck; and let there be in it a hole at the top, in which set a Glass-funnel with a long Pipe, which correspondeth just to the suspended

suspended Glass, and so like an *inter-*  
*num* to the helm or chap. Lute the  
 Pipe of the Funnel on the outside fast  
 to the hole of the Helm; so that no-  
 thing can expire. Likewise stop the  
 narrow neck of the Funnel within,  
 with an exact fit stick of hard wood;  
 and for more security, lute a double  
 Bladder wetted, over the mouth of the  
 Funnel, that no Spirits may expire.  
 Put your Myrrhe into the Cucurbite;  
 fill the Glass with fair water; and set  
 the Cucurbite in an Iron pot full of  
 Sand; which set in a wind Furnace.  
 Distil by degrees of fire, and the smoak  
 of the water in the Glass will rise and  
 mingle with the fumes of the Myrrhe,  
 and go over together into the Re-  
 ceiver, and so preserve the Oyl of the  
 Myrrhe from *Empyreume*. You en-  
 crease the fire till in the end the bot-  
 tom of the Iron Pot with the Sand be  
 red hot. And as you perceive (by  
 looking in at the Helm with a Can-  
 dle) that the water consumeth in the  
 Glass,



Glass, pour in more (but warm) by the Funnel at the top of the Helm, taking off the Bladder, and out the wooden stopper; but close them again presently. By this method you will draw half an ounce of pure clear yellow Oyl (when it is severed from the water) from one pound of Myrrhe. Close fast the Nest of the Limbeck to the Receiver, that no Spirits may expire. When all is come over into the Receiver, you sever the Oyl from the Water with a Funnel.

*Vertues of the mineral Cinnabar.*

Take mineral Cinnabar, and reduce it to most subtile Powder; then with as little Turpentine as may be, compose a mass of it (as if you would make Pills) of which make them flat and thin; but not so thin that they shall crack or break. Upon the one side of them ingrave the character of *Mercury*, which must be done *Die Mercurii*,

*Mercurii* and *Hora Mercurii*, which is twice every Wednesday. Put this into a double piece of Sarsnet, or into a Silver Box, and hang it about the neck of any person (or any living creature) it will infallibly preserve them from the Plague, though they converse with, or are about infected persons every day: the Pastils must be made very smooth, and the character well ingraved. If on the other side of them you ingrave the character of *Jupiter*, it will preserve from witchcraft; which must likewise be done *Die Jovis*, and *Hora Jovis*. If you can have a piece of Cinnabar large enough to ingrave the two characters upon both sides of it, you need not make it up with Turpentine.

It will likewise preserve from Convulsion-fits and Falling-sickness, being worn in a Sarsenet, upon the region of the head.

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From twenty four grains to thirty made up in Pills with a little Turpentine, will procure Sweating, and will drive out the Venom from any person infected of the Plague.

It is also admirable in the Venereal disease.

*Paracelsus* said, that in the greatest Plague, that is in any City or Village, if you lay four pieces of it, the longer the better, one at the East, the other at the West, the third at the South, the fourth at the North part of the house; and laying them so, that no wet can come to them, Infallibly that house and all the persons, and creatures in it, will be preserved from the Plague.

*A great Cordial made out of English Saffran.*

Take Saffran freshly gathered, and picked from the whites or other things that grow upon, or about it; shred  
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it on a smooth stone that you may save the moisture that comes from it in the shredding of it. Then put four pound of it into a new glazed Pipkin or Pitcher, (put it in very slightly, not pressing it down, you must not fill the Pitcher above half full) and then bury it deep in the ground, and put the Earth loose and slightly about it; lay a cover over it upon sticks, so as to lay two fingers breadth above the Pitcher, that the air may come in: let it stand so six weeks; then take the Saffran out of the Pipkin or Pitcher, and put it into a large Retort, put a Receiver to it close luted, and distil in *Balneo Maria* by degrees of fire; you will first have a clear water, which keep by it self; as soon as you see a yellow tincture or reddish Oyl come, change the Receiver putting on a new one, and that is the great Cordial; but when you see that none of it will rise in *Balneo Maria*, take out the Glass, and wipe it; then set it in ashes, and

and put a Receiver to it, if any flegm or nutry part distill from it there, put it to the first; but as soon as the fore-said yellow tincture comes, change the Receiver, and so continue the fire gently, as long as there comes any of this tincture. But you must have a great care, that you give not so strong fire, as to make any fumes or burning matter to rise; after you have distilled a good quantity, or the most of your tincture, change the Receiver, for fear of spilling the first liquor, and then you may distil till it be almost dry, what is left; out of which you may extract the Salt of Saffron; then rectifie the yellow tincture once or twice, and keep it in a Glass close stopped.

The dose of it is, two or three drops: It is exceeding good in all Diseases, wherein a Cordial can do good.

It restoreth and comforteth the Spirits, and expelleth Poyson.

*A Great Electuary.*

Take *Sarsaparilla* two ounces, *China* root, root of *Turbith ana*, one ounce and half, *Cortex Guaiaci* 1 ounce, *Sassafras*, yellow *Sanders, ana*, three ounces, *Jallap*, *Senna, ana*, two ounces and half, *Hermodyles* one ounce and half; Reduce all these to most subtile Powder, every one by it self, and searse them through the finest Searse that can be: Then mix them all on a large sheet of Paper; then to four parts of this Powder, put three parts of the best Honey well clarified, putting first the Powder into a Skillet, and pouring in the Honey by degrees, stirring it continually till it be well incorporated; then beat it well in a large Mortar to a perfect Electuary: then put it into Gally Pots, stop them close and keep them in a dry place.

Take of this one ounce, or five drams, dissolved in a little warm Posset

set drink; or take it with a little Virgin Honey in the Bed, and sleep after it. You may drink now and then some warm Posset drink; but eat not till two three hours, after it hath done working.

The *Sarsaparilla* must be only the mealy part of it, which flies up beaten in a close Mortar, on the sides: you will hardly have two ounces out of a pound, unless it be mealy and large *Sarsa*: The rest is good for Dyer-drinks: The *Sena* must be fresh, and all the stalks picked out, nothing but the leaves. If the *China-root* be not perfectly good (as often times it is not in *England*) take as much more of the *Sarsaparilla* in stead of it.

The Excellent success of this medicine, dependeth of the exceeding beating and searving the Ingredients into most subtile Powder; and you must weigh out the Proportions when they are in Powder, and not when they are in their gross bodies: in mixing

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the Powders with the Honey, you use no fire; and you must be four or five hours beating the mass in a Mortar to incorporate all perfectly and uniformly.

This Electuary cureth the greatest Pox, *Gonorrhæa's*, Cankers, and all Venereal Diseases, using this method. For a great Venereal Disease, begin with two or three doses of *Mercury vive*, intermitting one day between: but for *Gonorrhæa's* begin with the Purge of *Sena* in white Wine with *Diaprunis*: The next day take a Dose of this Electuary; the third day repeat the Purge; the fourth the Electuary; the fifth, Purge: then continue the Electuary for ten or twelve days, by that time the Patient will be well: If then it needs, give an injection of Lime-water with *Mel rosat.* and *Mercury dulcis*: Purge also then again with *Sena*; and take again the Electuary five or six days more. This Electuary is also excellent to be used Spring  
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and Fall, though there be no Venereal Disease or Inconveniencies, but only to carry away viscos tough humors; and it preserveth the body in health, and clean: And if one have any Ulcer in the Legs, or Aches or Rheumatism in any part of the body, it will cure them, if it be continued for a while.

*A Great Comfortative.*

Take Cochenele in Powder six ounces. Put it in a broad Glass, and pour Spirit of Wine upon it four fingers breadth above it; shake it very often every day during six or eight days, the Vessel close stopped: Then pour it off, and put on new Spirit of Wine, and do as before. Repeat this till you have extracted all the tincture; then put the Extractions together, and evaporate it till it be thickish. To this quantity, take *Diasatyrion Nicholai majus gratum* one pound, of Magistery of Coral made by solution

of distilled Vinegar, and precipitated with Oyl of Tartar, in fine Powder, of Magistery of Pearl, made the same way, *ana*, half an ounce, of Syrup of Sassafras, four ounces, of Lime-water filtered and evaporated the quantity of a Pottle to a thickish substance; of Confection Alkermis half an ounce, *Ambergris* one ounce. Take of this half an ounce morning and night; but eat nothing between meals; and drink but a little Wine at meals.

*A Restorative and Cordial of Dates, which is much Celebrated.*

Dates are a great Cordial and Comforter of Nature in all kinds, and Restorative in Consumptions, and to old men; but they are hard of digestion. And this inconvenience is taken away, and their good qualities lightened by preserving them with Sugar, in such sort as they may become very tender and digestible. Do thus then;  
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first pare off the rough hard outward skin ; and likewise pick away all their inner hard filmy white thick skin that is next to the stone ; and cut into quarters the Pulpy middle fleshy substance. Boyl this tender and preserve it in the best manner with Sugar, so as you may loose none of the substantial part that boyleth out of them. Eat of these the quantity of 3 or 4 Dates in a morning after your first sleep ; and sleep an hour or two upon it before you rise. Then if you will add a further restorer of Spirits , do this : as soon as you rise out of bed ;

Take four ounces of the purest best Spiritfull Canary Sack , or Greek Muscadine, and sop in it a Toast of light pure Bread, till it be thoroughly drunken with the Wine , and so large a one that it have drunk up the better part of the Wine : Then lay the Toast upon a Plate, and strew it over on both sides with a little fine Sugar, but a large proportion of scraped Nut-

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meg (which is a great friend to the Kidneys and Bladder, and Head, and smootheneth much, and gives Spirits) then eat your Tost and Sugar and Nutmeg; and drink upon it the remainder of the Wine, and do some moderate exercise after it, besides making you ready; Repeat the same at night instead of a Supper.

*Cordial and Pleasant Tablets.*

Take three ounces of pure refined Sugar; boyl it up with Orange-flower-water, into a consistence for *Manus Christi*; when it is at the due height, put into it two drams (or three) of pure Confection of Alkermes, and drop into it two drops of the quintessence of Cedri. Stir it well together, and drop it into Tablets. They are very pleasant and very Cordial. If you will not use fire, you may make Tablets or Pastils of the same Ingredients, with Gum Tragagant dissolved in Orange-flower-

flower-water. You may add a little *Ambergris*, and a little Musk, if you please.

*A Great Venereal.*

Take *Opil Thebaici colati cum Spiritu vini* one part, *Ambergris* three parts; grind them very well together with Syrup of Flowers of Sage, till they come into the consistence of an Opiate: of which give four or five, or six grains in some fit liquor for a Vehicle, at going to bed.

The preparing of the *Opium* is thus: Dissolve it in Spirit of Wine, then percolate it through some fit cloth that it may leave the dregs behind; then distil away the Spirit of Wine till the *Opium* become of a due consistence.

*Another Great Venereal.*

Take *Cons. Flor. Anthos, Borag. Caryoph. ana* half an ounce, *Elect. Diastyr.*

*Salv.* one ounce, *Ering.* *Candit.* six  
drams, *Theriac.* *Vet.* two drams, *Sem.*  
*Eruca*, *Urtica*, ana, half a dram, *Spec.*  
*Diamosch. dulcis* scrup. 2, Syrup *Stoe-*  
*chad.* *f. q. f. Elect.*

After taking as much as a Nutmeg  
of this Electuary (morning and night,  
or when you will) drink a little of  
the following decoction :

Take *Fol. Salvia*, *Origani*, *Rosima-*  
*rini*, *Calaminth.* *Urtica*, ana M. 1.  
*Chamedr.* *Chamæpit.* *Stoechad.* ana M.  
*f. sem. Eruca*, *Urtica* *Fenic.* ana, three  
drams, *Rad. Pyrethri* half an ounce.  
Boyl all these in a quart of Fountain-  
water ; then add a pint of Malaga Sack  
to it. You may anoint the *Perineum*,  
and that region, with the following  
Ointment.

Take *Unguent. Martiat.* unc. 2, *Ole-*  
*um Succini* scrup. 2, *Oleum Euphorb.*  
*drachm.* 2, *Moschi gran.* 3. *Ambergri-*  
*sa* Misce *f. Unguent.*



*An Excellent Plaister to put upon the  
Stomach.*

Take Storax in Powder, and Aloes  
also in fine powder, *ana* one ounce.  
Boyl these together with half a pint of  
Rose-water till the Rose-water be  
consumed; then let it cool. Then take  
as much of very good Honey as will  
make it to a Past; which spread upon  
Leather, and put it upon the Stomach.  
It will strengthen the Stomach ex-  
tremely, and will free it from all cor-  
ruption and flegms, and will give it a  
natural heat not superfluous.

It hath saved the life of many, even  
those that already had lost their  
speech. This Past is very odorife-  
rous, and incorruptible, it will last  
for ever.

*An Excellent Ointment for the Stomach,  
or for any pain about the Heart.*

Tak wild Thyme, red Mint, Worm-wood, Hylop, Balm, of each one handfull, of Red Rose-leaves two handfulls, of Bayberries beaten, Ginger grossly beaten, *ana*, one ounce, Mace half an ounce, chop the Herbs, and mix them with the Spices. Then put all together into a large Gally Pot, and pour upon them a quart of the best Saller Oyl; then close the Pot well with Past, and set the Pot into a Skillet of water; then let it boyl the space of five hours: Then take it off and strain it without pressing or squeezing the Herbs too hard. Then put it into a Dish, and put into it of Essence of Orange-flowers two ounces, Oyl of Cinamon half a quarter of an ounce, Oyl of Cloves a quarter of an ounce, *Ambergris* ten grains, of the finest yellow Wax thin sliced: then

then set it over a Chafindish of coals;  
 stir them well to make them well in-  
 corporate together. Then put it into  
 Gally Pots, and keep it for use.

*An approved Remedy for a Sprain in the  
 Back, or any Weakness*

Take a quarter of a pint of good  
 Muscadine, a spoonful of Mader; incor-  
 porate them well together; then give  
 it the Patient to drink for 3 mornings  
 together: and if need requireth, you  
 may use it often in a day. This will  
 strengthen the back exceedingly.

*A most Precious Diet-Drink for any  
 weak and consumed body with Sick-  
 ness, Pox, or any Ashes, or Cold Hu-  
 mors.*

Take white Wine, old strong Beer,  
 ana, seven gallons; Sena one pound;  
 Cortex Guaiaci two pound; Liquorith  
 one pound; Coloquintida one dram;  
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*Sarsaparilla* one Pound. Put all these together into a deep large Pot, stop and lute it close: Then set it in a great Kettle full of water, and so let it boyl highly the space of four hours; then strain it, and when it is almost cold, put into it one ounce of the best and strongest Mithridate.

Drink of this twelve times in a day, about three ounces at a time; continue it for twenty, or twenty four days together (almost twenty will do it) but you must neither eat nor drink any thing else during that time; and after three or four days the Patient will have no mind at all to eat. And in twenty four days he shall be cured and restored to health, and to good blood, and shall be lusty and fat, and all diseases will vanish.

The Author said, that if the Patient were pressing to eat something of nourishment and solidity, he allowed him some Partridge, with Bisket or well baked fine Bread; but no other sustenance

sustenance at all : The Drink it self giving sufficient in this case. I conceive that Raisins and Bisket were not amiss.

*An Excellent Remedy to procure Conception.*

Take of Syrup of Mother-wort, of Syrup of Mugwort, *ana*, half an ounce, of Spirit of Clary, two drams, of the Root of *English* Snake-weed in fine powder one dram, Purslain seed, Nettle seed, Rocket seed, all in subtile powder, of each two drams. Candite Nutmegs, Eriogo roots, Satyrion roots preserved, Dates, Pistaches, Conserve of Succory, of each three drams ; Cinamon, Saffran in fine powder, of each a scruple ; Conserve of Vervine, Pine Apple-kernels picked and pilled, of each two drams. Stamp and work all these Ingredients in a Mortar to an Electuary : Then put it up into Gally Pots, and keep it for use.

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Take of this Electuary the quantity of a good Nutmeg in a little Glass full of white Wine, in the morning fasting, and at four of the clock in the afternoon, and as much at night going to bed; but be sure not to do any violent exercise.

*An excellent Bolus for the Stomach and Liver.*

Take green Ginger and Conserve of Roman Wormwood, ana one part; Conserve of Wood-Sorel two or three or four parts (more or less, as you conceive your Liver shall require) beat them together into a Pulp. You may make the Conserves, by beating the Herbs raw with two or three parts of fine Sugar.

*A Cordial Drink for weakness of the Stomach, and want of Digestion.*

Take three pints of Claret Wine,  
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half a pint of Mint-water ; of Cinnamon, Nutmeg, *ana* one dram and half, of fine Sugar four ounces. Put all these into an Earthen Pot, and let it stand close covered over a gentle fire to digest twenty four hours ; but let it not boyl : Then take it off, and strain it through a Hypocras Bag. Take of this three or four ounces at a time.

*For Trembling of the Heart, or a Weak Stomach.*

Take *Lignum Aloes*, and *Ambergris*, and mingle them with the best yellow Wax melted : Make a thin Cake of it, and apply it to the Heart and Stomach.

*Opiata Charteriana.*

Take of the best Root of *Enula Campana*, *Sarsaparilla*, *China*, Peony, of Juniperberries, *ana* half an ounce, *Rad. Mechoacan* half an ounce, of Oriental

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ental Leafs one ounce and half. Digest all these in *Balneo Maria* in about three pints of water the space of twelve hours. Then strain it, and in the strained liquor dissolve *Medulla Cassia recentis extracta* four ounces, *Confection Hamech* one ounce, of the powder of Rhubarb, *Sena*, and *Jallap*, *ana* one ounce and half, *Conserv. Flor, Nenuphar*. of Bugloss, Violets, preserved Limon-pils, of the powder of Turpentine, and *Extracti Ligni Sancti triti*, *ana* half an ounce, of the powder of all Sanders three drams; *Theriaca veteris* four scruples, of Syrup of Damask Roses, and Syrup of the Flowers of Peaches, *ana*, one ounce and half. *Fiat Opiata Charteriana secundum artem*. Then put it up safe for your use.

The Dose of it is to half an ounce.

*Ladanum Opiatum.*

Take *Opium Theb.* cut very small  
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three ounces, Salt of *Tartar*, Crystal of *Tartar, ana*, one dram. Mix all these well together in a Mortar; then put them in a Glass body, and pour upon them a pint of distilled Vinegar, and an ounce of Spirit of Salt. Digest them till there rise no more scum upon it; then boyl it to the consistence of an Electuary: Then pour upon it a quart of fair water, and boyl it again till all the *Opium* be dissolved; Then philter it, & boyl the faces again with water till all be dissolved. Then philter it, and put all together; which boyl to an Electuary with one ounce of the juyce of *Glichiriza*. Then add to it of the tincture of Juniperberries, and *Croci pulv. ana*, two ounces, *Castor.* one dram; boyl it again with a gentle fire to a due consistence; then work it well in a Mortar with Oyl of Aniseeds, Oyl of Nutmeg, Oyl of Cloves, *ana*, one scruple. Then put it up close.

The Dose is from 3 grains to eight.

*An Excellent Panchimagogue that Purgeth all Humors.*

Take of black Ellebory four ounces, Coloquint, Aloes, *ana* two ounces, Saffran one ounce : Extract the Ellebory and Coloquint with Cicory water acuated with Salt of *Tartar* : Then extract the Aloes by it self with the same *Menstruum* without *Tartar*, and the Saffran with good Spirit of Wine. Then mix all your Extractions together, and evaporate it to a consistence of Honey; then add to it four ounces of Reisin of Scammony, two ounces of Reisin of Jallap, and one ounce of *Mercury* sublimate *dulcis* in most subtile powder; stir it well together to make it incorporate, leaving it upon the sand fire till it be a Past for Pills.

The Dose is from twelve to eighteen grains.

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*An Excellent Laxative Tisanne to take,  
when one hath a need.*

Take a good handful of Pimpernel;  
of *Sena*, of green Anise, of Liquorish,  
of Salt Prunelle, *ana* half an ounce,  
of Rheubarb one ounce, two penny-  
worth of stick Cinamon, the juyce of  
of two Limons.

Take of this Tisanne a good Glass  
full in the morning, another a little be-  
fore dinner; and (if it needed) a third  
in the afternoon.

*Bezoardicum Theriacale.*

Take a Viper, which hath been  
newly caught; and hold her fast by  
the neck with your thumb and the next  
finger, so that she cannot stir or wag  
at all, and with a Pen-knife cut her  
throat open, so that you may be able  
to tear out her tongue, which you lay  
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the neck, joyning the head, and skin it all; afterwards cut the body an inch above the Navil, and throw away the tail. Then take out all the entrails, putting the grease by it self, and the heart and liver likewise; and cut the body or bulk upwards joyning the head; and cast away the rest. Prepare a great many Vipers after this fashion. After this, put the bulks of the bodies upon some Plate a part, and the hearts and livers by themselves upon another likewise; and the tongue upon another, without washing them at all; and put them to be dried gently in a furnace that is but a little warm. All this must be observed in the beginning; afterwards a little more heat is required, that so the humidity may be the sooner dried up, which otherwise might be the cause of their being spoiled. But after this first time; which may be perhaps a night: one needs not but to keep them in a dry place with so little a heat, that they may fully

fully be dried, and hardned, to be fit for to be pounded ; which will be done within eight or ten days. When they are fully dry, put all the parts to pounding, dropping upon them now and then a drop of *Opebalsamum*, or white oriental Balsom, or for want of the same, of the *Peruvian* Balsom ; and some times a drop of a compounded Balsom. But all this with so much discretion and heed, that the Balsoms may dry immediately, and be sucked in by the Powder, that is, a pounding, without discerning of any liquor ; for this would make it com to be a Paste, and will not afterwards be fit for to be pounded ; But putting in the Balsom by little and little at a time ; the heat of moving the Pestil, dryes it, makes it to be imbibed, and the superfluous humidity to evaporate.

Mark this : That there must be far less used of the natural Balsom, then of the compounded ; because the great-

est part of the humidity of this, doth evaporate through the heat of the pounding; whereas on the other side, the other Balsom, being viscous, remaineth: For example; To one pound of the substance of Vipers, one ounce, (or to the most, two ounces) of the natural Balsom may suffice: But of the other you may make to enter as much as you can; as for example, if you could spend a whole pound, it would be the better for it, provided the Powder do not grow wet by it, nor like a Paste. It must be now and then sifted what will pass through a hairen cloth; but what will not, must be pounded again, dropping upon it from time to time of your Balsoms. And if so be there be any likelihood of any quantity of the Powder, let it run again through the Sieve, what will go through, and pound again the rest with the Balsoms; doing this so long till all be passed through. The Author told me, that all will not pass,



pass, but that at the end, there will remain a white Powder, which cannot be pounded any more, which are the bones; And he throweth it away as useless: besides that there is but little of it, and your Powder is prepared.

*The Balsom Compounded is made thus.*

Take of Myrrhe, *Ligni Aloes*, yellow Sanders, *ana* one ounce. *Specier. Aromat. Ros* at two drams. Draw the tincture of these things with good Spirit of Wine tartarized. Myrrhe is drawn by it self in a Vessel, The rest, that is, the other three things being mixed together, in another Vessel. When the Spirit of Wine is well tinged, pour it off, and pour other Spirit upon it, till it be no more coloured. Then take an ounce of the Tincture of Myrrhe; and an ounce of the tincture of the other three ingredients; and one ounce of excellent

lent Water of odoriferous or Damask Roses; mix these three ounces together; and this mixture will be like a Balsom and of a gray colour. And this is the compounded Balsom.

*The best Rose-water is made thus :*

Let your pale Roses putrifie; and when they have fermented enough, distil your Rose-water; which you are to put upon new or fresh fermented Roses, and distil as before. The water that cometh first is the best. He sets it afterwards into the Sun.

Of this Bezoardique Theriacal powder you are to give four or five grains for a dose in some Broth or Wine, either to be freed of a disease, that hath left great weakness behind it, or else for a preservative against the Infection of the whole nature, or bad air, and to keep ones self in good health

health, by continuing the same for some days. The Author doth command a continual use of this Powder, for the keeping of one in good health. It is also excellent good for the Small Pox. But as for the intermittent Fevers, ( even in Quartans, but not so certain as in others ) the dose is half a dram, immediately before the fit; but in those as are *continue*, it is given on the Critical day. And if so be, the Fever doth not go away after twice or thrice taking, then let the Patient take a Purge convenient, immediately after the fit is over.

*The Purge, of which the Author makes use of, in Fevers, is this following :*

Take *Antimonii Diaphoretici*, (that is, in the Cerufs of *Antimony*) *Diagridii preparati secundum prescriptionem Cornachini*, & *Tartar. Vitriolat. ana*, 8 *vel* 10. grains, *Misce.*

It is also necessary to prepare the  
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body by Purge, before one begin to take of this Powder.

*But to make a most Rich Cordial proceed thus:*

Take Conserve of red Roses, Conserve of Flowers of Oranges, *ana* one ounce, of the *Confect. de Hyacinth.* and of the above mentioned Bezoardique Theriacal Powder, *ana* two drams, Confection of Alkerms one dram, of Powder of Gold one scruple. Mix all these well together in the form of an Opiate; and if the Composition be too dry, add to it some Syrup of red Corants, as much as is needful. Take of this Composition every morning the quantity of a Nut.

*The best fashion to make Conserve of Roses is this following.*

Take the Leaves of Roses, being very well cleansed of the white at the ends

ends of them. Put them into a Cucurbit well stopped ; place it in *Balneo Mariae*, and keep it boyling for an hour or two, till the flowers be perfectly mortified ; then take them out and pound them ; and add to them double the quantity of very fine Loaf-Sugar, and pound them well together ; then put it up in pots to keep.

The Heads, Skins, and Grease of the Vipers, which you have Separated for to make your Bezoardick powder, are kept, because they are endowed with sundry vertues. Dry gently the Heads and Skins, and keep them by themselves. Melt the Grease, and keep it as and Oyl. The Head being worn near to ones throat, is excellent against the Squinzie and other diseases of the Throat. The skin laid upon the Kidneys of a Woman being in Travel, will promote her deliverance. And if the After-birth doth not come away after the Child, put the skin upon the Thigh of the Woman, and it will  
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come away within a short time after.

The fat is most excellent for the anointing of a red face.

The skin being dried and cut small, and mixed with Oats, and given to a Horse that hath the Farcy, cureth the Horse, if it be continued for a while.

The Bezoardique Powder cureth the Pox, being taken for fifteen or twenty days.

(The Author told me since eight or ten days) in some good Vehicle, (as Wine;) having first of all prepared the body by taking of a due Purge. It will make one sweat mightily, if one putteth himself upon it, which ought to be done.

*The Author doth Tartarise his Spirit of Wine, thus.*

Put some pure Salt of Tartar into your Spirit of Wine, and let it stand  
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till the separation be well made; then pour off the Spirit of Wine, and leave the flegmatick Solution of *Tartar*; from which evaporate the water to dryness. Then put your purified Salt of *Tartar* again into the Spirit of Wine, and do as before: Repeat this till the Salt of *Tartar* dissolve no more in the Spirit of Wine, nor no part of it.

*A Tincture of Coral.*

Take Honey, and deflegm it in an open Vessel upon the fire; till it be as thick as Pitch; then mingle one part of that with two parts of Sand, and distil it in a Glass body, in Sand fire as long as it cometh clear; and till the Oyl be ready to come. Then put off this distilled water upon Coral, and in twenty four hours you will see the Spirit of Honey tinged of a deep yellow colour: then pour off that, and put on more of the Spirit of Honey, and digest as before. Repeat this till it tinge

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no more. Then philter the extracts, and distil the liquor away, that the tincture remain dry, upon which pour good Spirit of Wine, and digest, and it will be tinged deep red; pour it off and put on fresh Spirit of Wine, and do as before: Repeat this till you have extracted all the tincture. Then philter the extracts, and distil away the Spirit of Wine; then put new Spirit of Wine upon the remaining matter; repeating this till you have the pure tincture, and that the Solution set off no more faces.

This will be as red as the deepest red Wine, and transparent.

The dose of it is twenty or thirty drops in a fit Vehicle.

It worketh all the good effects that are said of a perfect tincture of Coral, and particularly it hath done wonderful effects in all the Diseases of the Matrix.

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*A Cordial to Rest, and for Surfeit.*

Take *Diascordium* one dram, confection *Alcherms* one dram and half, Syrup of Clove-Gilly-flowers a good spoonful. Mix these very well with about two ounces and half of Dragon-water, or red Poppy-water, or in *Carduus*-water, as the diseases require.

It is excellent to cause rest and sleep in a Fever, or when one is oppressed with pain; as also in a Surfeit; and an excellent Cordial.

I conceive you may increase the Dose a good deal to large bodies.

*An Excellent Poppy-water for Surfeits.*

Take two large mouthed Glasses of some six quarts a piece, and put into each of them 5 quarts of the best double still'd Aniseed-water: Then thrust in as many red Poppy leaves as will fill them top-full, and let them infuse twenty fours; then strain them out, and put in fresh, and let them infuse

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as long; then strain them again, and put in others, and let them infuse six or seven days: which strain well from the liquor, and then strain the liquor from the dregs. Then put into each Glass six ounces of stoned Raisins of the Sun, and a pound of stoned Cherries, and half a pound of refined Sugar; then tie up your Glasses very close.

*Another Excellent Stomachal Surfeit-Water.*

Take Mint, and *Cardus Benedictus*, ana, four parts, *Angelica* one part, Wormwood two parts; chop & bruise them a little; put a sufficient quantity of them into an ordinary Still, and put upon them enough new Milk to soak them; but not to have the Milk swim much over them. Distil this as you do Rose-water; stirring it sometimes with a stick to keep the Milk from growing to a Cake.

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Poppy

Poppy-water to be thus: Macerate Poppy buds, with Caraway seeds, Aniseeds, &c. in Sack, and distil a good Spirit from this, in which infuse fresh Poppy buds, and proceed as in the ordinary Receipt. Or you may sweeten your tincted Spirit, or Poppy-water, in stead of Sugar, with the Syrup of Poppy made by putting Poppy leaves and Sugar, *ana*, into a Flagon, and set that (close luted in the Jointure) in a Kettle of boiling water, &c. which is the way of making Syrups of Flowers.

*A Cooling Stomachal Mint Water.*

Take two parts of Mint, one part of Wormwood, and two parts of *Carduus*: put these into as much new Milk as will soak them: Let them infuse five or six hours, then distil as you distil Rose-water: but you must often take off the head, and stir the matter well with a stick. Drink of this Wa-

ter a Wine Glass full at a time, sweetened with fine Sugar to your taste.

*An Excellent Cordial Water.*

Take *Angelica*, *Carduus Benedictus*, *Pans-Betony*, Juniper-berries, ana, one handful, of Wormwood two handfuls. Mix them, and put them into a wide mouthed Bottle; and pour upon them as much Spirit of Wine as will cover them an inch over them; stop the Bottle close, and digest it so fourteen days; then pour off the Spirit, and keep it for your use.

The Dose is ten or twelve drops (or more, if there be occasion) in a Glass of white Wine.

It is good in all distempers of the Stomach, against Worms; and all gripings; and admirable against all Infections. It cannot be given amiss.

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*Another great Cordial Water.*

Take Sage, Celendine, Rosemary,  
 Rue, Wormwood, Mugwort, Pimper-  
 nel, Dragons, Scabious, Agrimony,  
 Balm, *Rosa solis*, *Scordium*, *Carduus*  
*Benedictus*, Centory, Betony, St. Johns-  
 wort, Marigold, of each one handful ;  
 Roots of Gentian, *Angelica*, Tormen-  
 til, *Zedoaria*, Petasites, Peony, Liquo-  
 rice, of each three quarters of an  
 ounce. Wash the Herbs well, and  
 shake them in a dry Cloth ; then shred  
 them small : The Roots are to be  
 scraped and sliced. Then mix all these  
 well together, and put them into an  
 Earthen Pot, and pour upon them  
 three or four Gallons of very good  
 white Wine. Let this stand well stop-  
 ped three or four days, stirring them  
 once or twice a day. Then distil this  
 with an ordinary Still with a gentle  
 fire, keeping the cover of the Still  
 cool with a wet Cloth upon it, often

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wringing and renewing it with fresh water: Let your Still be well luted with Rye-flower, whites of Eggs and Vinegar. You may have ended your Distillation in two days and a night; and of this quantity you may have four or five quarts of water, which divide into two or three several Glasses; the weakest is chiefly for Children. You may use this Water in all occasions where Cordial Water is required; and particularly for Sun-felts; and to strengthen the Stomach, and comfort weak persons.

*Water of Rue for the Head and Brain.*

When Rue is in its prime and vigour, pick the Leafs, and put them into a Glass body with a head, and distil off the water in *Balneo Marie*, which put upon fresh Rue, and distil again as before. Repeat this Distillation three or four times. Then take all the water, and distil it again by it self, taking only



ly two third parts of it, and leaving one third part in the body undistilled. Then put again the two thirds already distilled into the body, and distil it again by it self, taking only one half of it, and leaving the rest undistilled in the body.

This last water is most pure, excellent, Spiritul, and well tasted, and full of vertue. Drink of this a Wine Glasseful in the morning fasting, and at night.

It is excellent for the Head and Brain preserving against Apoplexies, Paralysis, and the like; and for that end, eat often in the morning fasting some Conserve of Rue, as much as a Walnut, made by beating very well two or three parts of fine Sugar with one of Rue.

*An Excellent Cordial or Palsie Water.*

Take Lavender flowers, Borage flowers, Buglos flowers, flowers of *Lil. Con-*  
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 Pour upon them good *Aqua-vita*, and  
 let them digest six weeks close stopped  
 in a warm place; then distil it off.  
 Put this distilled Spirit into a large  
 Glass, and infuse in it flowers of Sage,  
 flowers of Rosemary, and flowers of  
 Betony, of each one handful. Then  
 take Balm, Mother-wort, Spikenard,  
 Bay-leaves, all cut or chopped; Li-  
 mon Pills, Peony seeds hulled, of each  
 six ounces; Cardomum, Cubebs, Ci-  
 namon, Nutmegs, Mace, yellow San-  
 ders in Powder, of each half an ounce;  
*Lignum Aloes* one dram: Pour upon  
 these good *Aqua-vita*, and let them di-  
 gest also six weeks. Then put this to  
 your first Ingredients, and distil it off  
 to dryness. Then take of fine dissolved  
 Pearls two drams, prepared Smaragd-  
 stone one scruple, *Ambergris*, Musk,  
 Safran, of each half a scruple; red  
 Rose-leaves dried, yellow and red San-  
 ders, of each one ounce: Mix them  
 well together, and put them into a  
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Sarfenet bag , hang it in the distilled water, and keep it close stopped.

This Water is of exceeding vertue in all Swounding of the Head , and weakness of the Heart, decaying of the Spirits ; also in all pains and numbness of Joynts coming of cold. In all bruises outwardly, bathing them with it. It strengthneth and comforteth all Animal, Vital and Natural Spirits , and cheareth the External Senses. It strengtheneth the Memory , restoreth lost Appetite ; it is exceeding good for weakness of the Stomach. It is also good for Deafness. The Dose is a quarter of a spoonful, in the morning and at night.

*A most Excellent Balsom for the Palsie ,  
and Apoplexie, &c.*

Take of Imperatory one pound ,  
Sarsaparilla , Castoreum, of each half  
an ounce , Bruise them a little ; then  
take Lavender-flowers, Rosemary-flow-  
ers,

ers, Sage-flowers; put all these together into an Earthen Pitcher, and pour upon them good *Aqua-vita*; stop it close, and let it digest in a warm place four days, shaking it five or six times a day; then put it in a cellar to cool. Then put into it nine ounces of Camphire, dissolved in half a pint of Spirit of Wine, mix them well together; then strain it three times through an Hypocras Bag, and keep it in a cool place close stopped.

For the Palsie, rub the Mould of the Head and Nape of the Neck with this.

It is also excellent for all Contraction of the Sinews or debility of the Nerves, rubbing and chafing it well in.

It is also good for the Gout or any Crick or Aches; as also for the Head-ach rubbing the Temples with it.

*A Certain and often approved Remedy  
for the Dead Palsie.*

Take white Onions, shred them small, and put them into an earthen Pot or Dish, cover them but slightly, and set it in an oven, stirring the Onions sometimes. Let them bake till they are become pappy; Make a thick Cataplasm of this and lay it upon the benumbed part. Change it every twenty four hours, and continue it till you are well. If it be an Universal Paralytie, you must vse your Cataplasm all over.

*The best way to make the Spirit and Oyl  
of Clary, Mint, Rosemary, Roses, &c.*

Distill a pure water of Mint, or Flowers of Clary, or Rosemary; in a pint thereof dissolve as much pure refined Sugar, as to your taste will seem to sweeten the whole composition

on when put together ; put to this one fourth part of a pint of pure Spirit of Wine, and half as much Rose-water, and some drops of Spirit of *Ambergris* with an eight part of Musk, or lay in it a *Nodulus* of Amber and Musk.

The proportion of the Spirit of Wine, Amber, Sugar, and Rose water, are to be varied to your taste.

Distil the water thus : Fill large Glass Cucurbites a third part with Mint, or Clary flowers, or Rosemary flowers, and in *Balneo* with moderate heat (nor boyling) distil off the water till you leave the Herb almost dry, but not quite dry ; for if you distil off all that will come, you will have a great bitterness at the last ; therefore taste the drops towards the latter end, and when you feel them come bitter, cease. Put this water upon as many new Flowers or Herbs, as it was distilled from, and distil as before to neer dryness. Repeat this four

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or five times, pouring upon fresh Flowers or Herbs all that is come over; for this repeating of Distillation (of the same water) actuateth and enliveneth the Spirit exceedingly. When you have Water enough, put the water alone in the large Cucurbite, and distil gently till there remain in the Cucurbite about one third part of the water; which throw away. Then take the two third parts that are distilled over, and distil them again as before, leaving one third part of them in the Cucurbite, which also throw away; and that which is now come over, is pure and perfect without any bitterness, and is very pleasant, and to be used as is taught above. If any Oyl swim upon the water, either before the latter Rectifications or after, separate it, and keep it for other use.

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*The Emperour Charles's Cephalick Capital Water, of great Vertues.*

Take Lilly Convalleys three pound, Lavender flowers one pound, Rosemary flowers half a pound, red Rose buds three pound, Marjoram five handfuls, Rue four handfuls, Betony six handfuls, Sage three handfuls. Because you cannot get all these Herbs at one time, gather them as they come in season; and as you get them one after another, put them to infuse into four quarts of Brandy; let them remain there (close stopped) till you have all the rest. Then take Cinamon one pound, Cubebs 4 ounces, *Paradis Cornes* 5 ounces, Carraway seeds, Mace, Cloves, *Succinum*, of each three ounces, Nutmeg four ounces, *Ambergris* half an ounce: Bruise all these, and then put them to the first Ingredients, and pour upon them all, eighteen quarts of *Rhenish* Wine, stop it close, and let

let it infuse three or four days more ; then distil it off to neer dryness : taking the strongest spirit by it self ; the rest is good for ordinary drinking.

This Spirit is excellent for Dizziness and Swimming in the Head , and for the Head-ach. It strengtheneth the Memory and the Eye-sight, &c.

*The Great Duke of Florence his Excellent Cælestical or Imperial Water of great Vertues.*

Take of the white and Gummish Thubit two ounces, Mastick, Nutmegs, Cinamon , Cubebs , of each half an ounce , yellow Sanders two ounces : Bruise all these, and then put them together into a Glass-body, and put into them 2 ounces of Venice Turpentine , and two pound of white Honey : Then pour upon them four pound of good Spirit of Wine ; stop the Vessel very close, and digest it two days. Then distil it off in *Balneo*, till it begin to come

come whitish ; then take the Vessel out of the *Balneo*, and set it in Sand, changing the Receiver, and distil by degrees, and you will have a whitish water ; unto which add half a pound of *Cassia recentior extracta*, Spikenard, Salt of Pearls, Salt of Coral, of each half an ounce, and one ounce of Crystal of *Tartar* ; stop it close and keep it for your use. Then encrease the fire, and distil to dryness, and you will have a reddish Oleaginous Water; which keep also by it self.

The first clear water is excellent for the Cholick Nephritick, and for any pains of the Stomach. It is also very good for Surfeits, and excellent for Obstructions of the Spleen or Liver. It purifieth the Blood. It is a sure remedy for the Fits of the Mother ; as also for the Convulsion and Falling-fits.

It comforteth the Brain, and strengtheneth the Memory. The Dose is half a Spoonful, mixt with as much Fountain water.

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The second whitish Water is an excellent Remedy for the Stone and Gravel. It is also very good for Sores and Wounds. It will cure the *Noli me tangere*; and if you mix some of the first Water with it, it will be the more efficacious.

The third reddish Water is an Infallible cure of the Hæmorrhoides and Piles.

It is also excellent for the Gangreen and Wounds.

*An Excellent Cordial Water for Dizziness and Swimming in the Head.*

Take four pound of black Cherries, bruise the stones of them; and then put them with the Cherries into a Glass body, and put into them a good handful of Balm and a handful of Rosemary tops, Cinamon, Nutmegs, of each half an ounce; Then pour upon them all two quarts of Sack, stop it close and let it digest twenty

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four hours. Then distil it off in *Bal-neo*; distil so much of it, that it be weak like weak *Aqua Mirabilis*. Sweeten it with white Sugar-Candy to your taste, and drink a little wine glassful of it in the morning fasting, and at night going to Bed.

This cured a Lady of a great Dizziness and Swimming in her; and many other have found the like infallible effect of it.

*An Excellent Water for Surfeits, and for the Ague.*

Take three Gallons of *Aqua-vita*, put into it half a bushell of red Poppy flowers, let them infuse twenty four hours, in a Glass close stopped; then strain it well, and put the cleare liquor into the Glass again; into which put half a pound of Figgs, and as much Raisins of the Sun stoned, and three ounces of Anniseeds beaten, all tyed up in a bag; set this in the Sun for

for ten or twelve days. In two or three spoonfuls of this water dissolve well the quantity of a Hasle-nut of *London-Treacle*, and give it the patient an hour before his fit of the Ague, and let him do what moderate exercise he can, and fast four or five hours after it.

*An Excellent Julep of Limons for Calentures or Fevers.*

Take the thin rind pared from Limons, then squeeze out all the juice. Let this settle twenty four hours: then pour off the clear and filter it, which put into Glasse bodies to digest in exceeding gentle warmth of *Balneo* for ten or twelve days; and more fæces will settle: Pour the clear from the fæces, and filter it; then digest again. Repeat this so often till no more fæces settle. In the mean time calcine the thin yellow Pills, and with flegm of Wine ( in want thereof,

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with distilled Rain-water ) extract the Salt, which put to the purified juice. Digest these a while in *Balneo* ; then sever it into Glasses, containing one ounce, which is a dose for an ordinary Person. Give it in the hot burning of a Calenture ; two doses will cure any. It is best to take it pure thus ; but if the taste displease, you may put a little Sugar to it. This is much better then Syrup made by boyling, which evaporateth much of that which is best in the juice of Limons. This will keep well four or five yeares.

*An Excellent Orange-water or Spirit.*

Put the thin parings or chips of the rind of two hundred Oranges into a Cucurbite, so large that they fill it not above a third part full. Pour upon them six quarts of good *Aquavilla* ; let them digest with a Blind-head close stopped during three or four days ; then change that head for one with a Lim-



Limbeck, and distil in *Balneo*. Keep the first two quarts by themselves; for they will be excellent good. Then change your Receiver, and the Oyl will come over with the rest of the liquor; towards the last, it will be too weak, both of the Orange and of the Spirit of Wine. Mingle one quart of excellent Syrup of Clove-Gilly-flowers, with the two first quarts; and it will be an excellent Cordial water. You may Aromatise it with *Ambergris*; and then it will be much better to those that love Amber.

*To make Spirits of Herbs, &c.*

Take four ounces of dryed leaves of Mint, or tops of Clary and flowers, or any other such Herbs, and put upon them a Pottle of the best *Aqua-vita* that cometh from *France*. Digest them a while together; and then distil it off, and you shall have a quart of singular good Spirit: the

rest will be weak. In the same manner you may do with other Herbs or Citron Pills dried. Of Carroway seeds you must take but two ounces to a Pottle of *Aquavita*, more will be bitter and unpleasant. Sweeten this with the Syrup of Sugar that you have from the Sugar-bakers. It is a Syrup that runs down from Sugar-loafs as they stand to dry. This will never congeal; and will keep above a year without sowing. There is of two sorts; the first which is of ordinary Sugar; the second, which is of the finest, or double refined, this I used. Less then a pint will serve for a Pottle of Spirit. It is pure, clear and white, like Rock-water; put it into the spirit, and shake them together. If you will Aromatise it with Amber, put half an ounce of Spirit of Amber to this proportion. Make the Spirit of Amber thus: Digest one ounce; of Ambergris and one dram, of Musk in a pottle of good Spirit of Wine, till all be dissolved that will be.

Use

Use this. I conceive it will be much stronger of the Amber, if you distil and cohobate the Spirit several times from the Amber ; but then have a care of keeping the Junctures close shut that no Spirits expire, and do it in *Balneo*.

*A Cordial Water of Wall-nutts.*

*Monsieur Bressieux, a Physitian in Paris, maketh the Water of wall-nutts thus :*

The first thing that buddeth out of these trees, is a long green excressence, like slender Pine Apples, which is called their Flower. Distil the water of these, and keep it, throwing away the *Caput-mortuum*. Then when the Nuts are as big as Hasle-nuts, stamp them in a Mortar, and strain out the juyce ; which distil till you have the *Caput-mortuum* of a thick consistence, like an extract ; which keep, as also the water. When the Nuts are growing big and have but a gelly in steed

of a kernel, and would be *Cerneis* within ten days, or a fortnight: then stamp them as before, and distil their juyce to a like consistence, as the other. Mingle your three Waters together; and this is his Water of Wallnuts, which is a great Cordial: and when he will make Cinamon Water, he useth this onely, without Wine or any other liquor to the Cinamon, and holdeth it for a great Cordial. The two thick consistences ( remaining after Distilling the two juyces ) he putteth together, and when he hath evaporated them to a fit height for making of Plaisters ( if they were not so already by their distilling ) he putteth to them ( removed from the fier ) a little Venice Turpentine ( an eighth or tenth part, or a little more ) and a little Powder of Cinamon and Cloves, and a little Wheat-flower to thicken it, also a little Salt; and keep it in a Pot all the year ( where it fermenteth ) to make a Plaster of it for the stomach,

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from the *Sternum* to the Navil, and six or eight fingers breadth ; which let remain on as long as it will stick, taking it off sometimes to wipe a little water that sometimes it draweth.

This comforteth and strengtheneth the Stomach wonderfully, when it digesteth not well. If you have none of this Composition ready, take two or three condited Wall-nuts ; (conserved black ; not green, or white ) and stamp them to a Pulp, and mingle with them about as much Turpentine as a Hasle Nut, and some Wheat-flower to thicken it and a little Salt, and a little Powder of Cinamon and Cloves ; and make a Plaister of this for want of the other.

You should so proportion your Substances or Nuts, as to have about a like quantity of juyce of each ; as also so much of the Flowers as to have as much distilled water as out of either of the Juyces. For Incrudities and Indigestions of the Stomach, when a Looseness

ness followeth (which usually cometh from eating more then one can digest) he prescribed two or three days very slender diet ; and then to eat on mornings three or four condited Walnuts, and to drink a little Wine after them, eating a mouthful of Bread ; this setteth the Stomach very right.

The Nuts are conserved black, for those have all their bitterness and vertue in them (whereas, the white are pared ; and the green are boyled in several Waters to make them sweet ; and so loose their vertue) only rubbing off a little thin skin with a Napkin, after they have been boyled ; then thrusting a Clove and a little stick of Cinamon, cross-wise through them.

He had a good maxime to cure Diseases in men, rather by fitting and easie Diet, then by strong Physick.

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*About the Diet of Milk.*

*Monsieur Du Clos*, giveth the Diet of Milk to many Patients, as well as he hath taken it constantly these many years himself : and in all, he observeth the following circumstances. To those who digest it not well, and out of whose Stomach it goeth not soon enough, he gives a grain or two of Salt with it : To those with whom it curdleth, he giveth a little Sugar; and to those who are bilious, and in whom it turneth to choler, he putteth a little quantity of fair water.

He takes it often; as four or five times a day : about two *Paris* pints a day in all or better. If all day he taketh nothing but Milk, he finds it weakens him at length : therefore about noon, he eateth a manchet of fine light Bread, of about a penny price. But neither that strengtheneth him sufficiently; but he useth withal to eat then two dozen  
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of good Damask Raisins ( or more )  
 eating first half his Bread, then twelve  
 Raisins ; then drinks a Porringer full of  
 Milk upon it : Then he eats the rest of  
 his Bread and Raisins, and drinks ano-  
 ther Porringer of Milk. With this  
 course he groweth strong, fat and full  
 of blood : but without Bread and  
 Raisins , he becometh very faint and  
 cannot walk far : but with them he is  
 fain to do much exercise, he finds his  
 health require it, and he performs it  
 with great ease. Every night at going to  
 Bed, he takes a Pill of five or six grains  
 of his Composition of Aloes and  
 Juyces of Herbs, in a spoonful of milk,  
 and drinks three or four more upon it:  
 which giveth him but one Stool the  
 next morning; after which he is free  
 for all day : but without his Pill,  
 his milk would constipate him much,

*To Digest a large Meal.*

When one hath eaten a great meal,  
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and that it lyeth heavy and dead upon the Stomach and digesteth not, but would hinder one from sleeping at night : It will digest presently and trouble you no longer, if you drink a great draught of Claret Wine made as hot as you can well drink it; heat it so, that you may not loose the Spirits of it, in a Silver Tumbler with a close cover sinking down, so that it may press upon the Wine, and consequently no Spirits rise into the void place between the Wine and the Cover; which hindering of their motion, keepeth them fixed homogeneally through the whole body of the Wine.

*To make an Elosaccharum or Cinamomi.*

Make the Oyle or Quintessence of the yellow thin rinds of Citron by Distillation as you do that of Cinamon, and grind exceeding well one ounce of it with a pound of fine Sugar, that it  
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be all perfectly drunk up into the Sugar : Then keep it close, and with time it bettereth.

*Cinamon Water, or Spirit.*

Take chosen Cinamon bruised one pound, spiritful white Wine three pound, pure Rosewater two pound. Let them digest a day or two close stopped; then distil in a Refrigeratory : The first pound (or neer so much) will be pretty good ; and the last, milky and sweet of the Cinamon, but strong of the Spirits. You may distil this, till you perceive it cometh no more strong of the Cinamon. Keep every one of these three Waters in a Vessel a part, close stopped. In stead of white Wine, you may use a weak Spirit of Wine, or *Aqua-vita* : but then you must take at least two parts of Rose-water to three of Spirit of Wine.

Lignum

*Lignum Casia makes a much finer Spirit then Cinamon.*

Put three or four pound of it well bruised to a gallon of Malaga Sack. Digest them together three or four days in *Batneo*, then distil with very gentle heat. If you will rest there, sever the first, second and third running, as the custom is; but, if you will have it, richer of the Wood, distil off all together as long as it cometh with vigor, and put that liquor upon fresh *Cassia* (the same is to be done with Cinamon) and digest as before. Repeat this till it be as strong as you desire. Then either separate the runnings as long as you will put new wood to the liquor distilled over, you distil till it comes with no more strength; but the last time you put fresh wood, you may keep three runnings each a part; or if you distil all over together, you may rectifie the liquor by it self, and then  
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make your separating of stronger and weaker, so as to have some of such strength as you wish: or take a high Spirit of this, and mingle it with Rosewater in which Sugar is dissolved, and put *Ambergris* to it. Or do it with three parts of Wine, and two of Rosewater at the first putting upon the wood, and repeat it as often as you think fit; and then dulcifie that without putting more Rosewater to it.

The best way of distilling pure Spirit of Wine, is, to digest the Wine first eight or ten days close stopped in *Balneo*: But you must have a care that the *Balneo* be but luke-warm. Then distil it. You shall have thus twice as much Spirit of Wine as the ordinary way. You may keep such a heat as is requisite for this, with Sawdust, which is a slender expence.

*Cordial Water of Clove-Gillyflowers.*

Put Spirit of Wine, or Sack, upon  
Clove.

Clove-Gillyflowers ; digest it two or three days : put all in a Glass-body, laying other Clove-Gillyflowers at the mouth of it upon a Cambrick or Boulter cloth ( that the Spirit rising and passing through the Flowers, may tinge it self of a beautiful colour ) add a Head with a Limbeck and Receiver : Then distil the Spirit as strong as you like it ; which sweeten with Syrup of Gillyflowers or fine Sugar. *Quare*, of laying Cinamon and Amber with the Flowers.

*An Extract of Poppy Flowers.*

Put Spirit of Wine upon red Field-Poppy-flowers, digest it till the Spirit of Wine is highly tinged. Dicant, if it be not high enough, put it upon new flowers. When it is tinged enough, dicant and philter, and distil of the Spirit of Wine to the consistence of an extract, of which eight or ten grains is a Dose. This is to be

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used in steed of a *Ladanum*; and with better success, in causing rest, and in Surfeits, causing a gentle Sweat, and thereby discharging the Stomach of what oppresseth it.

*Limon Water.*

Pare off the yellow rinds of Limons, thin as to make chips, which will be as low as the Pores go; and put them into a Glass body with a Head and Limbeck, and distil them in *Balneo*, with gentle heat. You shall have a very sprightly water (with Oyl swimming upon it; which conserves it) whereof a little will Aromatize Wine or any liquor, and make it very pleasant. It is a very pleasant Cordial water to dissolve Sugar in Orange-flower water, and then mingle Spirit of Wine with it; both of them to your taste, for sweetness and strength.

If you distil Raspes in a cold Still, as you do Roses, and put a little of  
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that water into Sack or other Wine, or into Claret or white Wine and Water; it will Aromatize it very strong of Raspes (without changing the colour) and make it very pleasant; two or three Spoonfuls is sufficient to a quart of Sack.

*An Excellent Cordial Water of Sweet Marjoram, exceeding good for the Head and Memory.*

Fill a Cucurbite, reasonable lightly, with Sweet Marjoram duely dried; set it in an Iron Pot full of Water, which is over actual fire, and fill it up with Brandy, and after a days digestion distil it gently. Keep the strong Spirit by it self; then change the Receiver, and keep the flegm by it self, ceasing distilling when it cometh insipid, weak both of Wine and Herb. In neer a quart of this flegm dissolve one pound of pure double refined

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Sugar.

Sugar, and let it stew some hours in *Bullience Balneo* to make them incorporate well. If the liquor be not perfectly pure, heat the Solution to almost boiling, that the dross may rise for you to scum it off. A quart of this Syrup will serve to sweeten neer two quarts of the first Spirit, to most tastes. You may either put more Syrup, or make the Syrup stronger of Sugar, if you are afraid of making the Composition too weak. You may make your first Spirit stronger of Herb, by drawing it again from fresh (dry) Herb. You may add *Ambergris* to make it more Cephalick and virtual. You may do the like with Rosemary tops and flowers.

*To make Hypocras presently.*

Take twelve drops of Oyl of Cloves, eight of Oyl of Nutmegs, and five of Oyl of Cinamon. Put them into a large strong

strong drinking Glass, and mingle well with them two ounces of the purest double refined Sugar in Powder. Then take twenty drops of Rose-water in a Spoon, and in it a little *Ambergris*, and a little Musk; and then pour that to your former Composition, and work all well together; and if you find the matter too moist, knead some more Sugar amongst it. If you put a little of this Composition into a quart of Wine, and make it sweet with Sugar besides, it will taste like excellent Hypocras.

*To make a Coagulated Spirit of Ambergris.*

Put one ounce of Amber bruised into little pieces, into the head of a Refrigeratory. Let there be 8 or 10 ounces of pure Spirit of Wine in the Refrigeratory; close the Joynts very well. Distil over the Spirit of Wine, and in

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passing over boyling hot, it will impregnate it self strongly of the Amber. Do the like with excellent Orange-flower water made carefully of pure flowers, (and often rectified upon fresh flowers) and other fresh *Ambergris*. Put one part of the ambered water, to three parts of the ambered Spirit of Wine, and they will instantly coagulate (to a drop) into a consistence of Butter: which is, both very pleasant for the odour and taste, and also a very great Cordial. You may add an eight part of Musk to the Amber. And when Orange-flower water cannot be had, use a pure and spiritul Rosewater instead of it.

Dissolve *Ambergris* and Musk (one part to eight) in sufficient quantity of pure Spirit of Wine (as sixteen or twenty parts to one) so that all the Amber may remain dissolved (after twenty or thirty days digestion) when the Glass is through cold. Dicant or  
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philter it from remaining dregs. Put it into a Retort, or rather into a Body with a Head and Limbeck, and distil it off in *Balneo* with as gentle warmth as may be, so that (for example) there be sixteen or twenty measures between every drop. Cease when you find the body dry, and like a soft Gum. This will be of an excellent odour and taste; and the Spirit of Wine will have carried over very little of the vertue or Spirits of Amber: Or put Spirit of Wine upon Amber, to be three or four fingers breadth over it. Digest it in *Balneo* till it be highly tinted: Pour off that and pour on fresh Spirit of Wine. Digest as before, till it be tinted. Repeat this till you have all the tincture; then evaporate the Spirit of Wine to a Gum or Butter.

*To make Sweet Water.*

Take Rose leaſs, Bay leaſs, Laven-  
 der, Sweet Marjoram, Eglantine,  
 Pinks, of each two handſuls, Cloves,  
 Cinamon, *ana* one ounce: bruise all  
 theſe, and pour upon them two quarts  
 of ſtrong Ale, (that is neer the  
 grounds) let them infuſe twenty four  
 hours, then diſtil it, and draw it till the  
 Ingredients remain almoſt dry.

*Another.*

Take Damask Roſes at diſcretion,  
 Baſil, Sweet Majoram, Lavender,  
 Wall-nut leaſs, of each two handſuls,  
 Roſemary one handſul, a little Balm,  
 Cloves, Cinamon *ana* one ounce, Bay  
 leaſs, Roſemary tops, Limon and O-  
 range Pills of each a few; pour upon  
 theſe as much white Wine as will con-  
 veniently wet them, and let them infuſe  
 ten or twelve days; then diſtil it off.

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*Another.*

Take juyce of Cloves three ounces, *Calamus Aromaticus*, Cypress, *ana* two ounces, *Orcus* half a pound, dry Rose leafs, dry Spike flowers, *ana* two handfuls, Bay-leafs one handful; beat all these to powder, and put them in a pot and pour upon them three gallons of fair water; and let them infuse five or six days stirring it every day seven or eight times. Then distil it. Then take out the Bay-leafs and use the rest for Sweet-bags, you may hang a little Musk in the water.

*To preserve Fruit all the year.*

Put the fruit into a fit Case of Tin; and solder it together, so that no air can get in; then lay it in the bottom of a cold Well of running water.

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*To make Perfumes to Burn.*

Take half a pound of Damask Rose-buds (the whites cut off) Benjamin three ounces beaten to powder, half a quarter of an ounce of Musk, and as much of *Ambergris*, the like of Civet. Beat all these together in a Stone-mortar. Then put in an ounce of Sugar, and make it up in Cakes, and dry them in the Sun, or by the fire. There is no difference in making the Bags, but that they must be red Roses, and you leave out Sugar.

*Cassiolettes.*

Take Benjamin four ounces, Storax two ounces, *Lignum Aloes* half an ounce, *Ambergris* two drams. Musk twenty four grains, Civet one dram, twenty Cloves, Cinamon in powder two drams; the Pills of two Limons, (cut small without touching them

them with your hands.) Mix all these together with Rose-water, and make a paste of it with your hands; and never use it without Rose-water or other Sweet water. You may steep Gum Tragaganth in Rose-water till it become a Mucilage, and with that work the other Ingredients into a paste, and form it to Cakes for use.

*To make a familiar and cheap Pomo upon a sudden, which smelleth very well.*

Smear the bottom of the *Cassiolette* Pot with a little Civer, as much as you take upon the point of a knife: and pour upon it a pretty quantity of Orange-flower water, and strew upon that some of buceanous, about as much as a Thimble holds. Then kindle the Lamp under it. Be sure to supply it with fresh Sweet water, before what you put in, be consumed.

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*To make an Odoriferant Ball.*

Take Benjamin two drams, Storax, pure fine *Ladanum*, *ana* one dram, Bark of Cedar, the thin rind of Orange and Limon, Violets, Odoriferant Roses, Rosemary, red Sanders, *Calamus Aromaticus*, *ana* half a dram, Cloves, Cubebs, *Ireos* of Florence, *ana* 2 scruples. Reduce all these into powder, and make Paste of it with Gum Tragacanth steeped in Orange-flower or Rose-water. Then, heat a little the inside of a Mortar, and put a spoonful or two of Orange-flower or Rose-water in it, and upon that put one scruple of Civet, and half a dram of *Ambergris*, and grind it well together with a warm Pestil. When it is well incorporated, put half a scruple of good Musk to it, which incorporate also; dropping into the Composition thirty drops of Oyl of Lilly Convally, when it is all cold. Then mix this Composition

position with the first Paste, working them well together; and lastly, add to it ten drops of perfect Oyl or Quintessence of Cinamon made by Distillation. Then form this into Balls of such a bigness as you will have them, and dry them in the shadow.

*To make an Odoriferant Ball.*

Take storax, *Calam. Ladānum* the best, Citron Pills very thin, red Sanders, *Calam. Aromat. ana* half a dram, Cloues two scruples, *Maceris assa dulcis* one scruple and a half, Cubeb one scruple, *Irid. Florent.* half a dram, Oyl of Nutmeg made by expression one scruple and a half, Musk half a scruple, Civet six grains, *Ambergris* three grains, *Alepi Mosch.* half a scruple. Make all these into powder every one by it self, and mix them with Gum Tragaganth steeped in Cinamon and Rose-water; then form it into Balls.

*Rose*

*Rose Pastills to burn.*

Take Benjamin three ounces, storax two ounces, Alexandrine or Damask Rose-buds one ounce ; grind the Roses by themselves, and the rest also ; Then take *Lignum Aloes*, Amber, fine Sugar, Civet, powder of Cypress, and half a quarter of a pound ; grind all these well together. Then mix it with Gum Tragaganth dissolved in Orange-flowers or Rose-water, and make them up.

*To make Mouth Pastils.*

Take fine Sugar well sifted one pound, *Ambergris* two drams. Musk half a dram, grind the Amber, and Musk with a little Sugar, putting it in by little and little till all be well incorporated. Make paste of this, thus : Take some Kernels of Quinces, bruise them, and put them to steep in fair water

water twelve or fifteen hours; then strain the water through a Linen, and it will be gluant; with this make up your Paste, and let them dry in the shadow, putting a sieve upon them to keep it from the Flyes.

*To make a Pomos like those that are made in Spain.*

Take Benjamin half a pound, steep it in Rose-water, expose it to the Sun the space of six weeks, stirring it three or four times a day; and when you see that it groweth dry, add still more Rose-water to it. Then grinde it well with four Cloves, and a little Cinamon in powder, and one ounce of storax, half an ounce of the thin rind of Limon shred very small, half an ounce of *Ambergris*, a quarter of an ounce of Civer, half an ounce of the per-fumed *Italian* powder, one ounce of Rose powder, a dram of Musk; boyle this together in as much Rose-water  
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as will just cover it till it be well incorporated together. This proportion will serve for eight *Pomas*. In using it you must keep it always covered with Rose-water.

*To make the Sweet water, the, best called in French L'eau d'ange.*

Take three pints of Rose-water, half a pint of Orange-flower water, Musk, *Ambergris*, *Lignum Aloes*, and twenty five grains, Civet fifteen grains, Benjamin four ounces, storax one ounce, all in fine powder; mix all these well together, and put them in a Brass-pot, covering it very close with Linen, and set it to boyl in a Kettle full of water the space of three hours; then pour off the clear, and put upon the remaining matter the same quantity of fresh Rose and Orange-flower water, and five or six grains of Civet. Then of the rest you may make Pastils or *Cassiolettes*.

*FINIS.*



*A pleasant and wholesom Perfume for Tobacco taken in a Pipe.*

Take one ounce of the hard Balsom that is in Nuts, *Ambergris* half a dram, Oyl of Anniseeds six drops, Oyl of Cinamon six or seven, or ten drops, Oyl of Thyme 5 drops, Oyl of Nutmegs, Oyl of Lavender, *ana* two drops, Oyl of Cloves three drops; work all these well together by long malaxation in a Mortar warmed a little, into an uniform gummy substance: whereof as much as a Pepper-corn pressed in at the top of a Pipe of Tobacco, will make it taste exceeding well, and perfume the mouth and room very pleasantly, by taking it in smoke.

*Another.*

Take Balm of Peru half an ounce, seven or eight drops of Oyl or Quintessence of Cinamon, Oyl of Cloves

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five drops; Oyl of Nutmegs, of Thyme, of Lavender, of Fennil, of Anniseeds, (all drawn by Distillation) of each a like quantity, or more or less as you like the odour, and would have it strongest. Incorporate with these half a dram of *Ambergris*. Make all these into a Paste, which keep in a box. When you have filled your Pipe of Tobacco, put upon it about the bigness of a great Pins-head of this composition, and it will make the smoke most pleasingly odoriferous, both to the takers and to them that come into the room; and ones breath sweet all day after. It comforts the Head.

*To Preserve Fruit all the Year.*

Put the Fruit into a fit case of Tin, and solder it together, so that no air can get in; then lay it in the bottom of a cold Well of running water.

*To Convert Water into Ice in Summer,  
without the help of either Ice or Salts.*

Put boyling Water into an earthen  
Pitcher or Pipkin, that it be full;  
cover the mouth of it and shut it  
very close; and so hang it in a  
deep cold Well, in the Water; af-  
ter a while, the boyled water will be  
all become Ice, so that you must  
break the Pitcher to get it out.

*To Convert Water into Ice with Snow  
or Ice immediately,*

Set a Glass of Water in a Ba-  
son of Ice or Snow, as you do an  
Egg in Salt; and set a quick fire  
under the Bason, and it will pre-  
sently drive the cold of the Snow or  
Ice into the Water; and make it  
Ice.

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If you put Snow and *Salpeter* in-  
to a quart Pot, and set the Pot upon  
water spilled upon a Table, and stir  
well the Snow and Salt with a stick;  
the Pot will presently stick to the  
Table.

**FINIS.**



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